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"Grand Council"  
For Colonies

LORD Omore's letter to the Civic Association throws a little more light on the colonial "Grand Council" idea which he presented in the House of Commons two months ago—at the time but sketchily reported by the news agencies—and by placing his proposal in the context of the Labour Party's policy it is possible now to discern the outline of his plans.

Broadly he envisages the creation of a "Grand Council" of the Colonies—a federal body for the United Kingdom and all the colonial territories which desire to join it. The council would control defence, foreign affairs, foreign services and common economic matters. More particularly the Council is designed to meet the needs of at least 25 colonial territories which, in the words of Lord Omore, "will not be able to stand on their own feet" because of the lack of economic resources, or "multi-racial" problems.

As Hongkong obviously will never become independent it would presumably be eligible for membership of the "Grand Council" if ever it was formed. Still unanswered, however, is the question whether the Council is intended to be advisory or executive. There are apparent constitutional difficulties in the way of both. An advisory council offers itself as a more practicable alternative but, since Parliament is the ultimate authority that has the power to accept or reject, it is less attractive than an executive council.

It seems quite pointless giving the Colonies a voice in the administration of their own affairs unless there is a reasonable hope that their voices will be heard and their recommendations and views accepted, or at least seriously considered. Equally it is pointless establishing any body resembling a Parliament of the Colonies; colonies, unlike Parliamentary constituencies require special and detailed attention.

Broad policy for defence, foreign affairs and economic questions could however be discussed at an annual conference of colonial representatives in London on the same lines as a Commonwealth Premiers' conference, and to help make it more effective it could also be attended by groups representing the two main political parties in Parliament interested in colonial affairs. But special problems should be left to discussions between the British government and individual representatives of the colonies.

# 4-POWER TALKS PREPARATIONS

## Eden's Disclosures: No Quick Results Warning FAITH IN DIPLOMACY AND STATESMANSHIP

London, Mar. 31.

Sir Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, said at Newcastle today that the Western powers were already in discussion about "how the next round of negotiations with Russia is to be set in train."

He told a Conservative Party meeting: "We are making ready for such discussions (with Russia) now. We have already begun to discuss with our allies how this next round of negotiations is to be set in train. I expect there will shortly be meetings between us to consider how we can now go ahead."

"These meetings may well be held among our officials in the first stages, but I would hope that the foreign secretaries will also be discussing these plans before long. This could open up the way for talks with the Russians."

Sir Anthony Eden warned that "in this instance, it is no good expecting quick results."

He added: "The leaders of Soviet Russia though they may change believe themselves to be destined to hasten the collapse of our free civilisation. They are dedicated to the spread of their own kind of totalitarian authority over the whole world. They dispose of vast resources and they believe in their creed."

"They piled up their armaments after the war when the West was disarming. They have clamped down treaties on their neighbours to whom they allow no freedom of choice, while they have made every effort to prevent the West from uniting."

Sir Anthony Eden said that he gave this warning not to make for despair, but to warn against "the deep cynicism of the quick and easy solutions which are advocated from time to time. We have to negotiate firmly and warily, but with a will to arrive."

Referring to the month-old disarmament conference here, Sir Anthony Eden said Russia had accepted the aims set out by the Western powers in the Anglo-French plan. But had "frustrated our efforts to translate them into practical terms. We all say 'ban the bomb'."

"But we and our Western allies also say that armies and armaments must be reduced to a point at which no country can threaten its neighbour. That is real disarmament."

**CHARACTERISTIC**

Sir Anthony Eden said it was characteristic of the Soviet attitude "that while they tell the whole world outside Russia that the hydrogen bomb means destruction for everybody, they tell their own people precisely the contrary."

"Mr. Molotov says it will only destroy the capitalist world. Why? It is because the Soviets do not want their people to know the real danger and how reasonable our proposals are."

Sir Anthony Eden said that in comparison to the destruction that a nuclear war would bring about, "the radiation released by test explosions, which are from time to time set off," is negligible.

"The extent by which radiation has been increased by all the explosions up to date is a minute fraction of what our scientists advise might be dangerous."

The Foreign Secretary said there was constant exchange of information about these tests and their effects between British, Canadian and American scientists, and these would continue.

"We shall extend our research still further. Our scientists will not be handicapped by unreasonable financial restrictions."

**RIGHT TO KNOW**

He said that the British government recognised that the public had a right to "the most reliable and accurate information" on this question and would see that the public had this information.

Sir Anthony Eden said that "the awful and terrifying aspects of the hydrogen bomb" might prove to be an effective deterrent against war.

The time when war was the business of professional armies was past.

Henceforth... far from the scene of explosion, a destructive fallout will cover soldier and civilian leaders and people alike.

But he urged the younger generation not to base their lives "on a policy of living for today, because tomorrow we die..."

"Despite all difficulties, I do believe that perseverance and statesmanship may yet find means to control this terrible power which man's own ingenuity has called forth."

He said Britain would like the benefits of atomic energy applied for peaceful purposes "to be shared by others, particularly the countries whose existing sources of power cannot meet their need."

For this reason, Britain had welcomed and sponsored President Eisenhower's plan for an international agency to develop the civil uses of atomic energy in such countries.

**ACHIEVEMENTS**

Reviewing the international scene since he addressed the United Nations General Assembly three and a half years ago, shortly after the Conservatives came to power, Sir Anthony Eden referred to Korea, India, China, Persia, Egypt and Trieste as instances of how diplomacy had been working.

He said that in Korea, the United States paid more in lives and money than any other ally.

### Union Jack Marking On Jap Shirts

Manchester, Mar. 31.  
Reports that shirts made from Japanese cloth are being sold in the United States with the Union Jack as trade mark have been recovered by textile firms here.

A Manchester merchant, who has a special interest in shirt materials, has received a letter from his New York agent describing the shirts and saying they were underwritten by United Kingdom manufacturers in the market.

A spokesman of Manchester Chamber of Commerce said today that there was an international convention for the protection of national emblems, but Britain had not taken advantage of this.—Reuter.

### TUESDAY WILL BE HISTORIC DAY

London, Mar. 31.

The political correspondent of the Daily Express writes: Sir Winston Churchill will resign as Prime Minister next week whether or not the newspaper strike has ended. And the betting at Westminster is Tuesday will be resignation day.

The Prime Minister was outraged this morning when stories appeared in the provincial press saying the newspaper strike would delay his resignation. He is reported to have said to aides: "I have never been so insulted in my life."

On Monday night Sir Winston entertained the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh to dinner at No. 10 Downing Street, with the expectation that he would resign the next day, but some think this may be delayed until Wednesday.

But whenever it is Sir Anthony Eden will follow hard on his heels to receive the Queen's commission to form a government. For when the Prime Minister resigns the whole government resigns.

It is not expected Sir Anthony Eden will make many changes in the government when he takes over.

**VERY SPECIAL DAY**

Already it is clear Tuesday is going to be a very special day in the history of the Commons. It may be it will only be Sir Winston Churchill's last appearance as Prime Minister, but already it is virtually impossible to get a seat in any of the galleries to watch the Commons proceedings.

Bookings are said to come from official sources. So there is speculation—will Sir Winston announce his own resignation from the government front bench speaking only as a Privy Councillor?

Sir Anthony Eden's first job will be to fix a general election date. There is little argument now among Tory MPs this will be May 26. Sir Anthony's programme is also fairly clear. He is due to meet Mr. Foster Dulles and Mr. Faure at Paris at the end of May during the meeting of the NATO Council. There the three will decide when to approach Russia, and Eden's election programme will be that he's the best man to get top level talks with the Russians.—London Express Service.

**Speeding Driver  
Lynched**

San Salvador, Mar. 31.  
A driver whose speeding car killed four farmers was lynched on the spot; by other farmers armed with machetes last night.

The police said Mauricio Handam, driving at high speed on the Usulután Highway, hit a telegraph pole and his car swerved against a group of farmers working in the fields. Their enraged companions dragged Handam out of the car and hacked him with their broad knives.

Handam's two companions were saved by the arrival of National Guards, who arrested 11 of the mob.—United Press.

### Fine Surplus For Britain

London, Mar. 31.

Britain has ended the current financial year with a surplus on ordinary revenue of £243,168,594 sterling compared with a surplus of £203,637,872 last year, the Treasury announced here tonight.

Ordinary revenue for the current year was £2,986,873,404. Ordinary expenditure was £2,743,704,805.

Principal feature of the increase was an increase of £22,985,000 above the estimate for income tax, the Treasury said.

"The shortfall in expenditure was due largely to the cost of the nation's defence programme being £12,354,000 less than the estimate," the statement added.—Reuter.

### QUAKES ROCK PHILIPPINES

Manila, Apr. 1.

High intensity earthquakes rocked the southern Philippines early this morning, starting at shortly after 2 a.m.

The hardest hit Ozamis city in Mindanao suffered damage to public works, private property and others estimated at over US\$1,000,000.

The Philippine National Red Cross Society reported that several persons had been injured but none killed and the tremors reduced to rubble government buildings, churches and residences.

The offices of Nolo Zamboanga and Zamboanga also reported experiencing strong quakes up to 7 p.m. today.—France Press.

### The Formosa Straits Question

## War Or Peace Still In The Balance

Washington, Mar. 31.

The Democratic Senate leader, Mr. Lyndon Johnson, said today after a foreign policy briefing by President Eisenhower that the question of war or peace in the Formosa area is still unsettled.

He made this statement to reporters after he and other Democrat and Republican leaders from the Senate had been given a thorough briefing on the international situation.

Mr. Johnson said the situation concerning the Nationalist-held offshore islands of Quemoy and Matsu had been discussed. There were no policy decisions made, he said, therefore, what we would do and the question of war or peace in that area is still unsettled.

"We asked for no commitments and we made none."

The Democratic leader said he regarded the White House conference as "fruitful" and he was glad the President had taken the Democratic party chiefs, as well as the Republican

chiefs, into his confidence; to the extent he had.

**NO COMMENT**

Senator Johnson made no comment when asked if on the basis of the conference he thought there was any immediate danger of war.

To other questions, he said he was not informed as to whether any decision had been made by the President concerning the defence of the Quemoy and Matsu islands.

Senator Walter George, the Democrat Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, told reporters the proposals for his power talks with the Soviet Union had been discussed, but he would make no comment on the details.—Reuter.

## Boos And Cat Calls For Bertrand Russell

London, Mar. 31.

Earl Russell—Bertrand Russell, the philosopher—said here tonight he was convinced that only by some form of world government could mankind continue to exist.

"I think the alternative is universal extinction," he told a meeting organised by the Parliamentary Association for World Government.

During his speech Earl Russell was repeatedly interrupted by boos and cat calls from some of the 1,500 people in the hall. Referring to Formosa, the 82-year-old philosopher asked: Was it more important to keep China out of two small islands—Matsu and Quemoy—than for the human race to continue to exist?

Earl Russell said he thought war over Formosa might be avoided.

It should be made clear to America, Russia and China, he added, that whatever their objectives they would not be achieved in a world war.

**OPPRESSED BY FEAR**

"We are all oppressed by a great fear," Earl Russell continued, "but a great fear is not the only thing that the situation allows."

"It allows also of a great hope."

"We have the possibility as we have never had before of really establishing a situation in which there will not be a war."

The world, he said, the technical means to abolish poverty, he added.

Another speaker, Professor Alexander Haddow, Principal of the Chester Beatty Institute at the Royal Cancer Hospital here spoke of the effects of radiation from nuclear tests.

"My personal but considered view," he said, is that existing information is already adequate to determine a humane policy and to encourage us to press for an international agreement for the prohibition of test explosions."

Both Sir Winston Churchill and President Eisenhower, he said, had declared themselves against endeavours to secure

## Russian Designs On Afro-Asian Conference

From James Wickenden

London, Mar. 31.

Although Russia cannot attend the important Afro-Asian conference in Indonesia next month her leaders are making a bid to have their influence felt there according to Commonwealth Relations and Foreign Office sources in London tonight.

For Russia will be well represented at the Delhi conference of Asian countries on April 6, and delegates from countries which will attend the later Indonesian talks will be in Delhi to hear Russia hammer out a strong anti-West line which Moscow hopes will be repeated in Indonesia.

These same sources believe Russia and Red China have already consulted on a common line for Delhi, and to back their argument they will have nearly 100 delegates between them.

The Delhi talks have been inspired by the Communist-led World Peace Council, but although they will take place in India they do not have the approval of any Commonwealth government and are entirely unofficial.

And, say London sources, Mr. Nehru will doubtless take effective action to counter Communist attempts to overwhelm the Indonesian talks which he will attend.—London Express Service.

## Free-For-All In Parliament

Brussels, Mar. 31.

The dispute between the Socialist-Liberals of the Belgian Government and the Catholic Opposition flared up again today on the floor of the Lower Chamber of Parliament here when the session degenerated into a free-for-all fight and had to be suspended.

Two Catholic Opposition members had introduced resolutions criticising the government's action in clamping down censorship on radio broadcasts last Saturday—the day when Brussels was the scene of street clashes between Catholic and non-Catholic demonstrators in opposition over educational issues.

A violent personal dispute between a government minister and a former Catholic minister was the sign for today's Parliamentary fight to begin although the cause of the dispute had nothing to do with the debate.

The speaker was obliged to suspend the session and have the public galleries evacuated—an action rarely taken in the Belgian Parliament.—France Press.

## New Saturday Mail Feature

This Saturday the China Mail begins a new feature. Carefully selected short stories by a rising generation of British writers are to be published in future every week—a new attraction designed to give you a wider range of reading in your favourite week-end paper.

This week, George Redshaw has written the first of the new series entitled "Dginn Bummy".

Another highlight of this week's Saturday Mail is provided by feature writer, Tony Motia who tells you about HONGKONG'S FAITH HEALERS.

He describes the wonders performed in a little known Kowloon church where the afflicted are cured by prayer.

And also watch out for these special articles:

- Did Costa, ever Reach the North Pole?
- Signs of a Crisis in Red China.
- Sir Geoffrey Butler writing on War fears.
- Sir John Latham's report on Indonesia.

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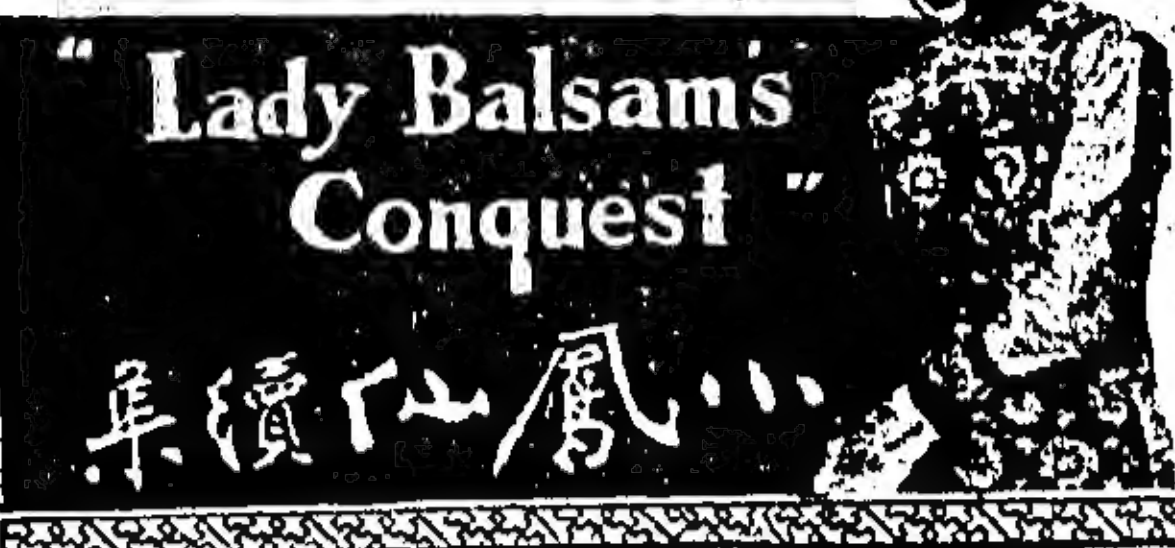


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### Bonn Planning To Counter Big Increases

Bonn, Mar. 31.

The West German Government today decided to run 13 extra goods trains to West Berlin daily as a first practical measure against big increases in road tolls imposed by East Germany.

This was announced tonight after all-day interministerial discussions, held in an atmosphere of national emergency. "STRONG CONCERN" The Bundestag (lower house) unanimously expressed its "strong concern" and described the increases—ranging from 100 to 1,100 per cent—as "absolutely unjustified."

Meanwhile the British, French and United States High Commissioners met today to discuss the matter in Bad Godesberg, and issued a statement later saying "we are taking the matter up with the Soviet High Commission."

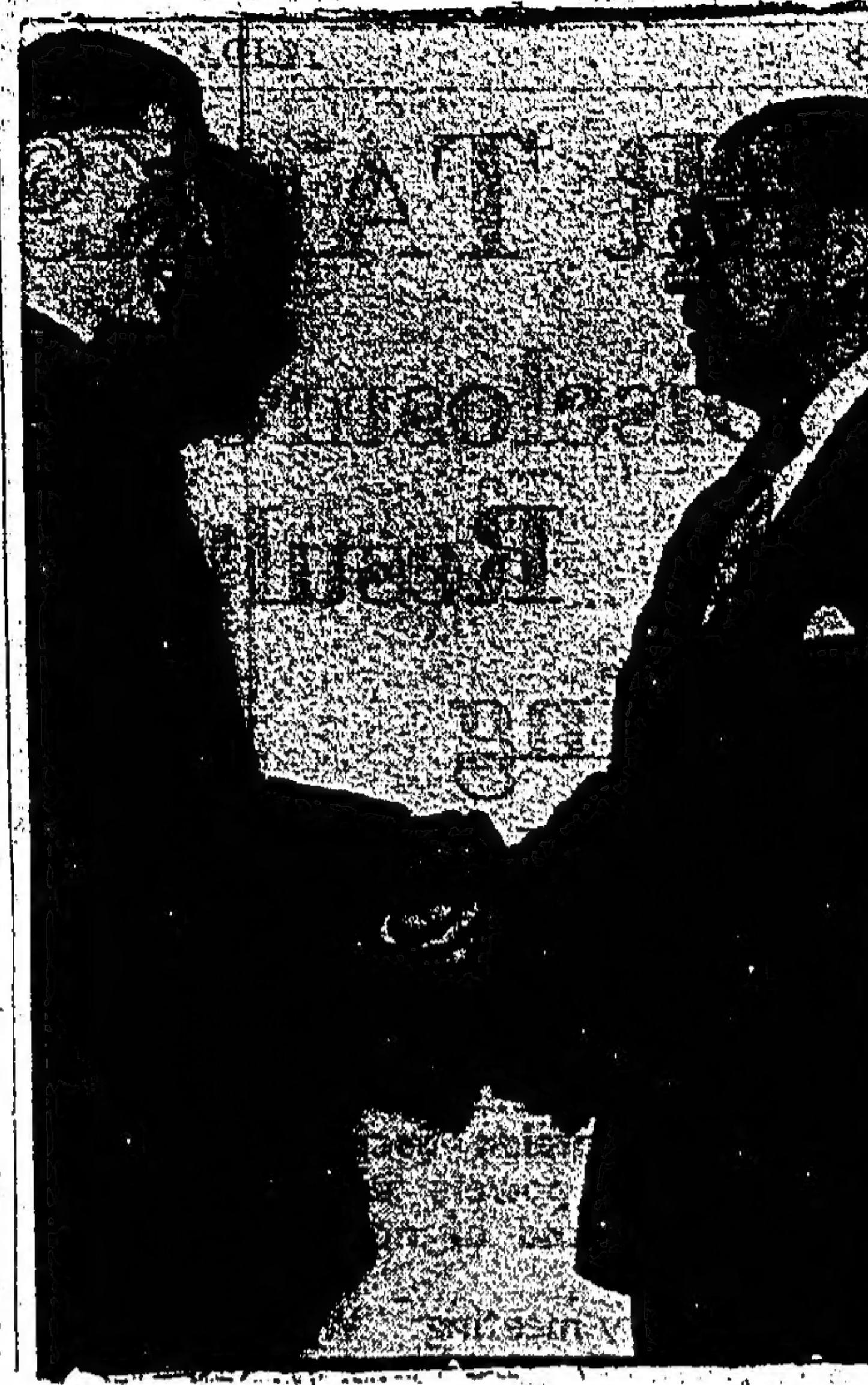
The Bundestag, Press and road-haulers urge that the

new burden should not be laid on the shoulders of the West Berliners or the haulers themselves but eased by Government financial measures should negotiations fail to get the increases rescinded.

The Ministers of Finance, Traffic, Economy and all-German Affairs will meet tomorrow to arrange the extra train service.

Dr Otto Suhr, Mayor of West Berlin, is expected in Bonn tomorrow to discuss the emergency.

Today's Bundestag resolution said the toll increases threatened Berlin's supply line.—Reuter.



## Attitude Towards Red China Should Change

Tokyo, Mar. 31.

India warned today of the "untouchability" attitude held by some nations toward Communist China and called upon all Far East countries to open trade relations with the Red regime.

The Indian representative, Mr K. B. Lall, told a meeting of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East that the attitude toward Red China should be changed.

"One should recognise," he said, "that mainland China is part of the (ECAFE) region and that trading efforts will not be complete unless the Commission discovers ways and means for mainland China to take its legitimate share in the international exchange of goods, services and techniques."

Delegates from 26 nations and 12 independent organizations are attending the 11th ECAFE meeting.

The opening of today's meeting was highlighted by another protest from Nationalist China, the Philippines and South Korea over Red Chinese observers on the World Federation of Trade Unions delegation circulating propaganda releases.

Six Red Chinese are observing the meetings as WFTU representatives, and have circulated among delegates WFTU broadsides calling for Communist Chinese participation in ECAFE.

The ECAFE Secretary, Mr P. S. Lokanathan, ruled that the Red letters were circulated in conformity with the conference rules of procedure.

The Indian delegate said in his speech that discussions have

shown a "sober note of confidence" in progress made by ECAFE in agriculture and industry, but he warned that the pace of progress was slower than that in more advanced nations.

He said the ECAFE region appreciated foreign aid but pointed out that there was "not enough awareness on the part of advanced countries of the duties and privileges of under-developed countries." — United Press.

Alexandrovich Lytkov, seventeen-year-old son of Lieut-Col Lytkov, an executive officer of an Air Transport Regiment at Schoenefeld, near Berlin, was granted political asylum by United States authorities in West Berlin. American authorities said that the youth had escaped because he feared his father—a "Fascist Communist Party Member with a heavy hand." This is the second attempt made by the youth to get into West Germany, the first failed when he was picked up by East German Police on trying to travel into West Germany on the elevated railway. This time he succeeded, and he said that he could no longer endure life under Communism. Picture shows: Alexandrovich, seen shaking hands with Mr Cox, US Press Officer in Berlin, after he had been granted political asylum. He left for an unknown destination yesterday.—Express Photo.

## STRIKE OVER

Glasgow, Mar. 31. British European Airways today resumed all services at Renfrew airport for Glasgow after a 24-hour strike by 600 maintenance men over the threat to move their units to London.—Reuter.

## Foreign Secretary's Last Appearance?

By Fraser Wighton

London, Mar. 31.

Some Members of Parliament believe Sir Anthony Eden will make his last parliamentary appearance before taking over the premiership from Sir Winston Churchill when he asks the House of Commons on Monday to approve British accession to the Turco-Iraqi pact.

They expect Sir Winston to tender his resignation as Prime Minister to Queen Elizabeth next week. The 80-year-old statesman is giving a dinner to the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh on Monday night at 10 Downing Street. He leaves for a holiday in Sicily soon after Parliament adjourns on Thursday for its short Easter recess.

It is generally assumed that between these two events the 80-year-old statesman will have a formal audience with the Queen at Buckingham Palace and ask to be relieved of his office.

If arrangements run to schedule, Parliamentarians expect an early announcement on a general election date—now strongly tipped for May 28.

## NO COMMENT

There is still no comment in official quarters on the Prime Minister's future. But authoritative sources today discouraged speculative reports that any plans he may have made would be upset by the current strike of newspaper workers, which has left large areas of Britain without London daily papers.—Reuter.

## US-Cambodia Agreement Delayed

Phnompenh, Mar. 31.

Informed sources said here today that the conclusion of a Cambodian-American military agreement would probably be delayed due to the refusal of Cambodian military authorities to sign the text as originally drafted at the end of February.

It was thought that the Cambodians wanted to add certain limiting clauses and knock out the original agreement in the first text drawn up after a visit by US Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles.

As it stands now the text provides for the sending to Phnompenh of an American military mission charged principally with the control of the use of material and of American military credits.—France Press.

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Quebec, Mar. 31.

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Mr Marcel Couture, 24, strummed "O Canada" while a crowd of about 500 sang to end his "pianothon" which he claimed constituted a record.

In the past few months similar performers have played the piano from 21 to 27½ hours, kept rocking in rocking chairs and stayed underwater with the help of aqualungs.—United Press.

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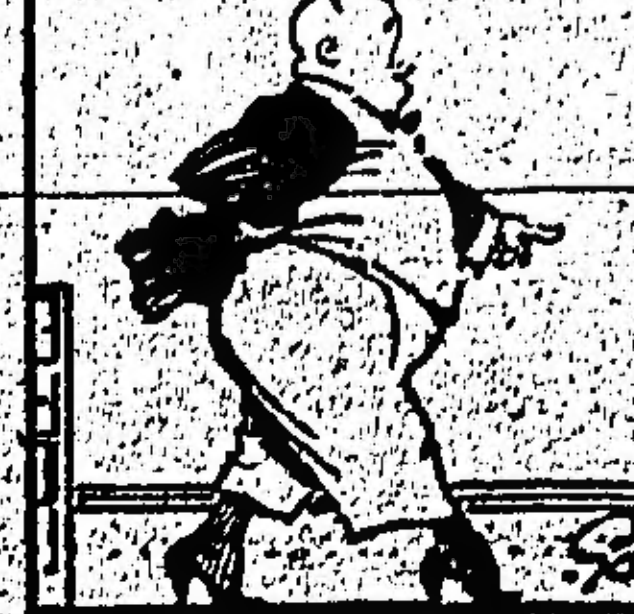
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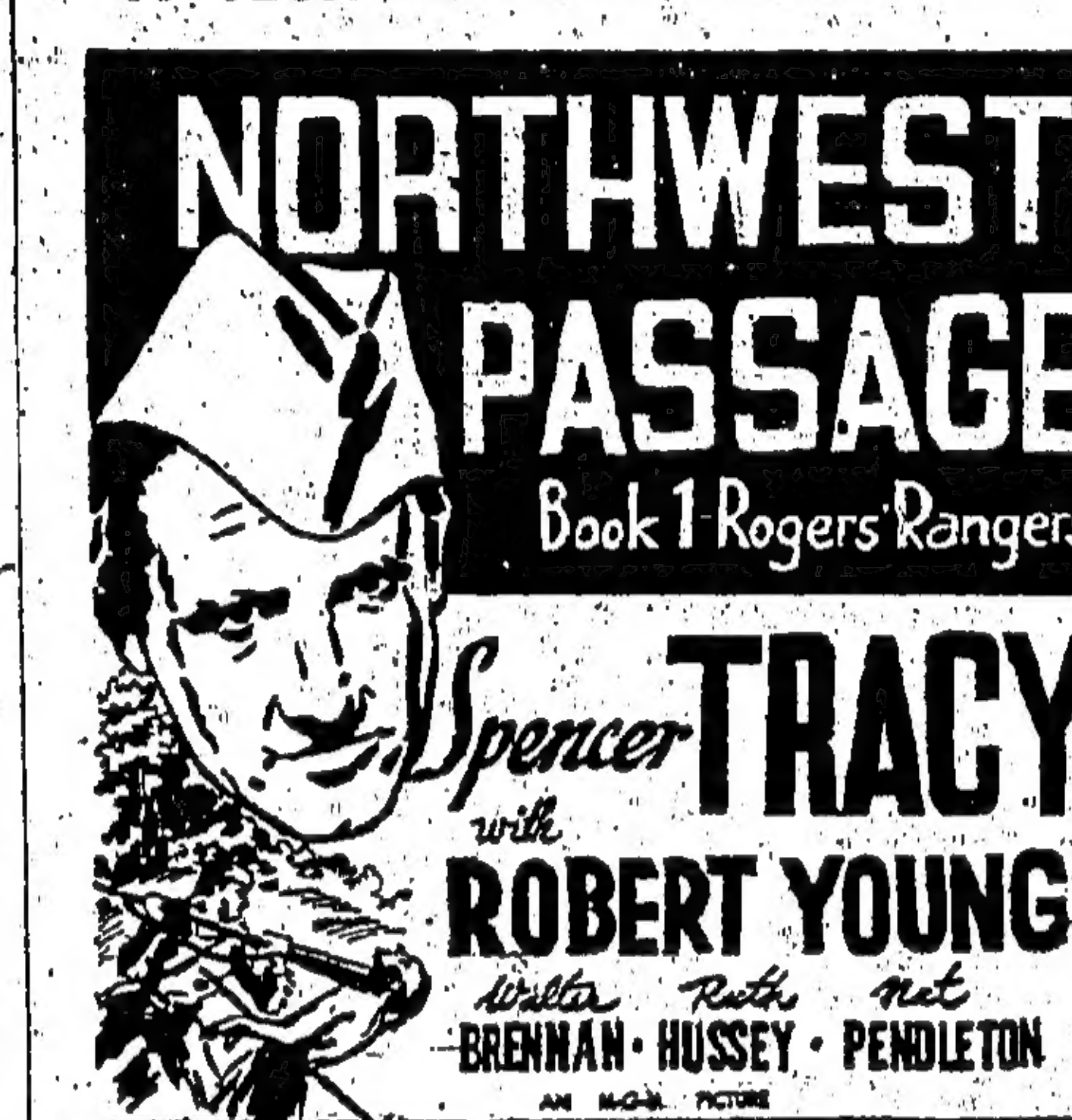
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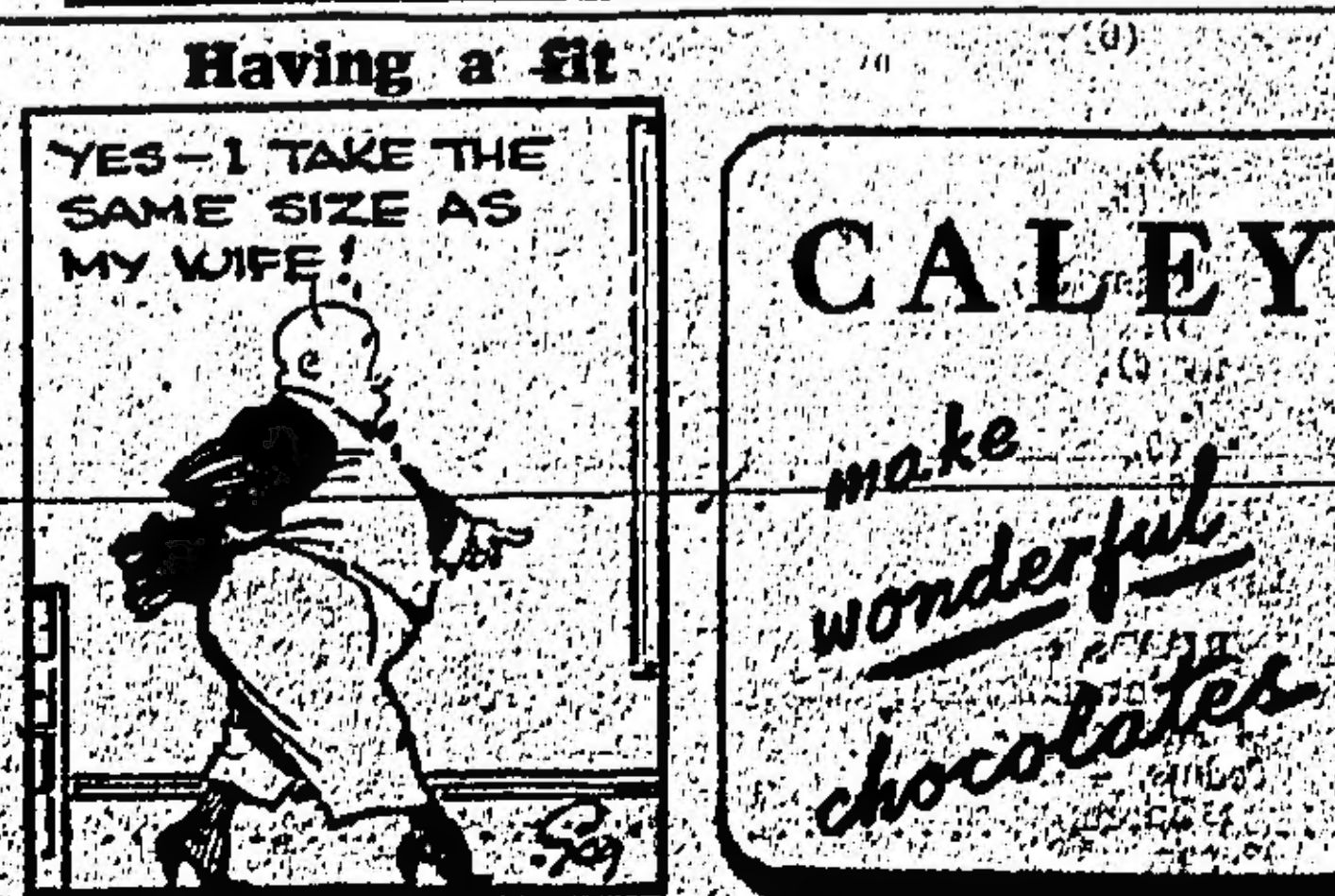
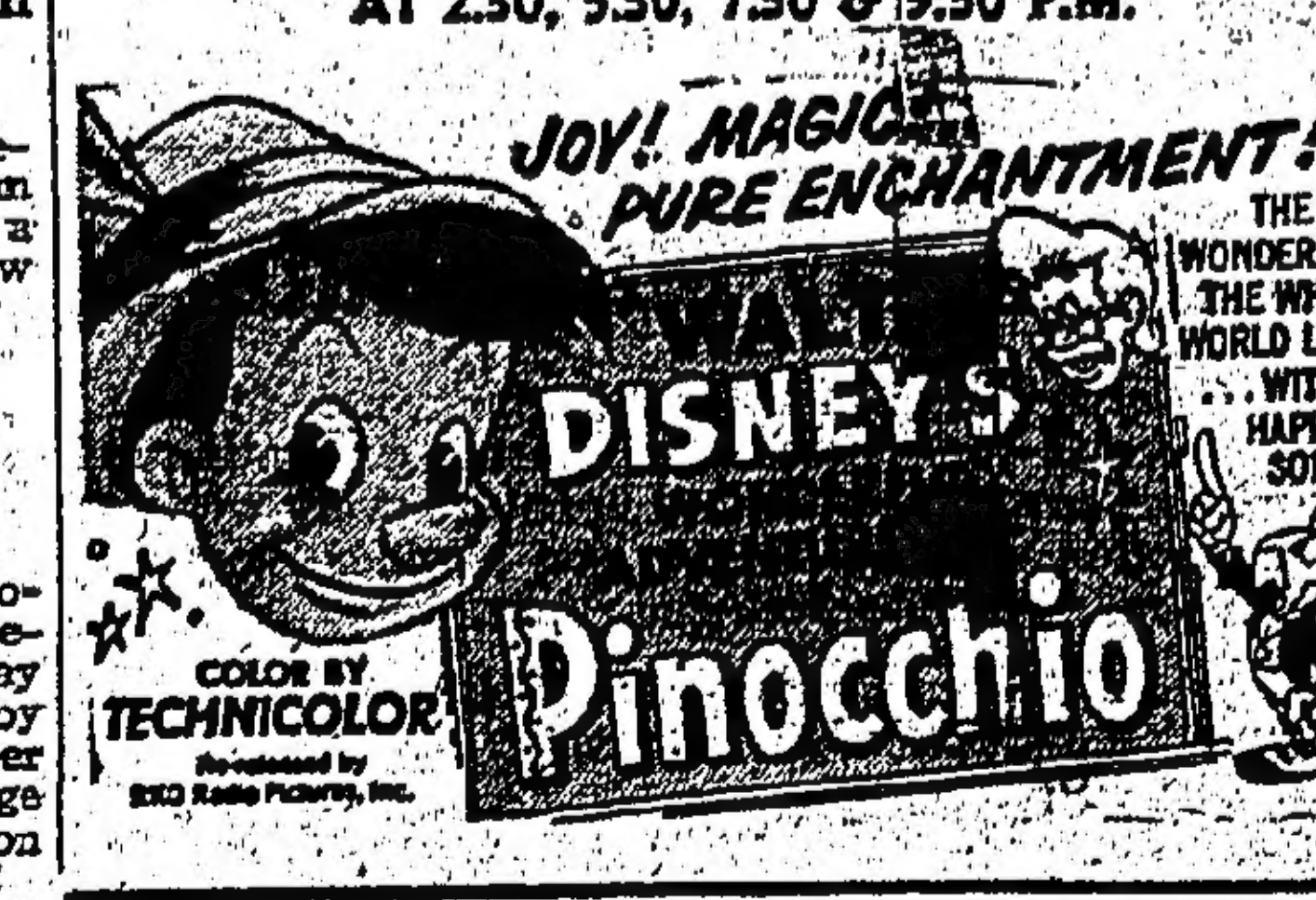
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# Three More Members Wanted For Middle East Pact

Faure Victory



Paris, Mar. 31. A bill aimed at giving the Premier, M. Edgar Faure, special economic, social and tax powers was approved by the Senate Finance Committee today by a vote of 7 to 5.—France-Press.

## SOLOMON'S COUNSEL NEEDED

Paris, Mar. 31. TWO babies were born on a warm summer night in a maternity hospital in Roubaix, northern France, in 1950. Madame Durand was told she was a boy when she named Guy. In another room Madame Sorrier gave birth to a girl named Louise. But before leaving the hospital Madame Durand was handed a girl.

NOT SOLVED After four years, the mystery has not yet been cleared. Analysis of the father's blood did not give the result expected since both had the same type of blood. Madame Durand had no bother about the change in the sex of her baby. She had the name altered to give her a girl's name. But Madame Sorrier is convinced that Louise is not hers and has refused to re-christen the child. The case was brought before the Roubaix tribunal but the judges will have to be wise also against that other vestige of the past, tattooing, a sign of solve the problem.—France-Press.

## POSSIBLE LINK WITH LEBANON

London, Mar. 31.

Britain hopes that Pakistan, Persia and the United States may be the next countries to join the Turco-Iraqi pact, diplomatic sources said here today.

Britain's entry into the alliance together with special military arrangements replacing the 1932 Anglo-Iraqi treaty was initiated in Baghdad yesterday and would take place on April 5.

Announcing this to the House of Commons, Sir Anthony Eden, Britain's Foreign Secretary, said the pact was purely defensive and he hoped other countries would come in later. The defensive character of the alliance was believed to have been emphasized today by Mr Evelyn Shuckburgh, British Foreign Office expert on the Middle East.

OPPOSITION Egypt's opposition to the alliance, which links Iraq with the Western defence system, has made it difficult for other members of the Arab League to join in even if they wished to, in the view of diplomatic quarters here.

For this reason even the best disposed of the Arab countries towards the pact, the Lebanon, is not expected here to join it just yet. But the long term Lebanese attitude may be clearer after the visit to Turkey beginning tomorrow of President Camille Chamoun and his Premier and Foreign Minister, Pakistan already linked to Turkey by a bilateral pact may be the first country to associate itself with Britain, Turkey and Iraq, it is thought here.

Reports from Istanbul today have forecast April or May as likely dates for Pakistan's entry into the alliance.—Reuter.

## TATTOOS UNCOUTH

Moscow, Mar. 31. The Soviet newspaper Trud, organ of the trade unions, said today that people who tattooed themselves, showed "lack of culture."

The newspaper asked why people who wore tattoos did not just go one step further, and wear rings in their noses and lips. The paper said, "We fight actively against drunkenness, religious prejudices, uncouthness and swearing. We shall fight also against that other vestige of the past, tattooing, a sign of solve the problem.—France-Press.

## Radioactivity Monitoring Service

London, Mar. 31.

THE British Medical Journal said today that it would be sensible and easy to set up a monitoring service which would keep a watch on the radioactivity of the atmosphere.

In a leading article about the genetic effects of nuclear radiation, the Journal suggested that such monitoring service could be made first on a national scale and perhaps eventually on an international basis.

The Journal said: "At present we have no precise knowledge of the rate of mutation—the sudden change of a gene into a new form—produced by low intensities of radiation in any mammal, let alone man, and are forced to argue by extrapolation from results obtained with flies or moulds."

FEW RESULTS "Even with these simpler organisms, experiments with low intensities have been few and their results not altogether consistent."

The best estimate to which they lead, according to Professor A. H. Sturtevant, of the United States, is that the excess ionisation produced by atomic explosions so far would cause about one extra very harmful mutation per 50,000 conceptions and perhaps about the same number of slighter ones in addition.

The Journal points out that although the figures give a rough idea of the order of magnitude, they are largely guess work. It said that energetic steps should be taken to measure actual mutation rates of mammals exposed to low intensity radiation.—China Mail Special.



Off to Paris on their wedding flight goes actress Olivia de Havilland and French journalist Pierre Galante. Miss de Havilland, who had a lunch date in London, nearly missed the plane for Paris. She and Galante marry tomorrow, April 2, in a small village 100 miles from the French capital. Miss de Havilland's new film "That Lady" had its London premiere this week.—Express Photo.

## Nature Finds A Way

Brisbane, Mar. 31.

A mother budgerigar which hatched Siamese twins from a double-yolked egg, separated the fledglings with her bill, a naturalist reported here.

The naturalist, David Fleay, told how a pair of the birds in a Brisbane aviary incubated four eggs.

Two were infertile, another hatched but the fledgling died, and the fourth egg, somewhat larger than the others, produced Siamese twins.

They were joined neck-to-neck by a fold of skin. Owner John Spiro, of Sherwood, Brisbane, watched the mother bird carefully and noted she was nibbling at the common skin that joined the fledglings.

After three days she separated them.—China Mail Special.

## King Herod's Ancient Palace Found

Jerusalem, Mar. 31.

An Israeli archaeological expedition reported today it has discovered the ruins of the 2,000-year-old Palace of King Herod The Great at Masada, near the Dead Sea.

Mr Michael Avi Yona, of the Israeli Government's Department of Antiquities, said that the ancient Palace was unearthed during a 12-day survey by the expedition which returned to Jerusalem last night.

He said that the palace-fortress was on the edge of a 325-yard high plateau. It has mosaic flooring and is fronted by a large colonnaded terrace on a 35-yard slope facing northward to the sea.

SPLENDOUR CONFIRMED.

Herod reigned in Judea from 37 BC to 4 BC. Expedition members reported that nearly all the descriptions of historian Josephus Flavius detailing the splendour of the palace and grounds were confirmed by the archaeologists.

The archaeologists reported they uncovered the steps leading to the palace from the terrace under heaps of ruins. They also found paths connecting the palace with various structures of Herod's old Masada fortress.

The greatest wonder, they said, was a group of four cisterns, with an estimated total capacity of 40,000 cubic metres of water. It was unknown how the reservoirs were filled in an area where the annual rainfall is now only a small fraction of an inch.

The archaeologists said they found remains of pottery, pillars, inscriptions, food and trees in abundance throughout the grounds. They said they recovered parts of the discoveries to prevent damage by tourists.

SMALL HOUSE

The expedition also reported finding a small house on the palace grounds, consisting of nine rooms and containing what were said to be the earliest mosaics yet found in Israel.

In the house they reported finding date kernels and other remains of what were believed to be dried morsels of food as well as some leather soles and thongs.

It was established, Mr Yona said, that the columns on the palace terrace were definitely Ionian and Corinthian. On one of the columns a Roman soldier named Gaius Asklis had inscribed his name in Greek.—United Press.

Paris, Mar. 31. M. Edgar Faure, France's Premier, today received Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, Deputy Commander-in-Chief of SHARP.

The interview took place at M. Faure's official residence. It lasted about half an hour.—France-Press.

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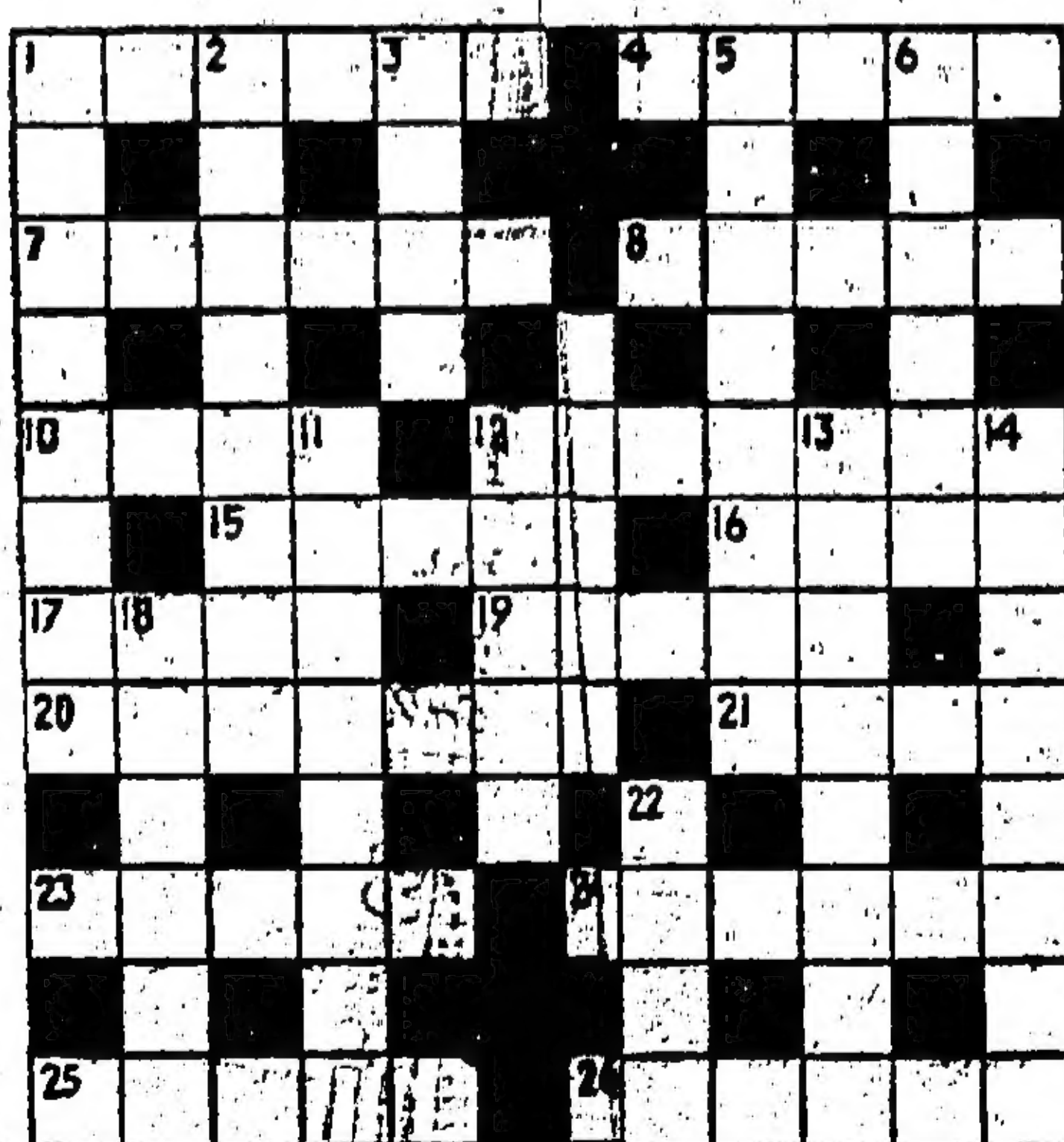
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- ACROSS
- 1 Specimen (6).
  - 4 Fit (5).
  - 7 Come back (6).
  - 8 Bunk (6).
  - 10 Fate (4).
  - 12 Braggart (7).
  - 13 Drive back (5).
  - 16 Extent (4).
  - 17 Tale of heroism (4).
  - 19 Solitary (5).
  - 20 Noble lady (7).
  - 21 Sharp (4).
  - 23 Backbone (5).
  - 24 Younger (5).
  - 25 Coppers (4).
  - 26 Margins (4).
- DOWN
- 2 Into strips (8).
  - 3 Very swift (8).
  - 5 Price (4).
  - 6 Same bird (8).
  - 8 at (6).
  - 9 Preps (5).
  - 11 Race hand (8).
  - 12 Life (5).
  - 13 Isolating (8).
  - 14 Wards (8).
  - 18 Four (6).
  - 22 Bitter (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1 Tortured, 8 Roused, 9 Despairs, 11 Consists, 12 Liar, 13 Rn, 18 Sales, 19 Chum, 22 Possible, 24 Alliance, 25 Angers, 26 Bators. Down: 1 Erect, 2 Ruins, 3 Tedious, 4 Odds, 5 Tip s, 6 Ain, 7 Desert, 10 Bical, 14 Rayon, 16 Lenses, 18 Bares, 19 Ails, 20 Spiced, 21 Yarns, 22 Fast, 23 Bitter.

## IKE CONGRATULATED Crackdown On Loose War Talk

New York, Mar. 31.

President Eisenhower was congratulated editorially by the Philadelphia Inquirer today for his "timely crackdown on loose war talk" over the Chinese offshore islands problem.

The newspaper said that the President's action should have an assuring effect abroad and would inform allies and friendly powers alike that the President did not endorse the opinion that war over the islands of Matsu and Quemoy "is approaching inexorably and all we can do about it is to be ready to fight."

"The job of the Chiefs of Staff," the newspaper declared, "is to advise the President on military matters. It is not to scare the public with predictions of questionable accuracy nor to determine national policy. That is up to the President and the civilian arms of the Government."

The New York Herald Tribune wrote that America was fortunate that at this juncture in its affairs it had "in the White House" a leader so calm, so able, so universally trusted as Dwight Eisenhower.

The President had shown, the paper continued, that he was unwilling to be stampeded by alarmist or unsubstantiated news.

"As things now stand, Mr Eisenhower bears by himself the responsibility for determining in the light of events what moves are necessary to safeguard Formosa and the Pescadores."

"Even if the threat is not as immediate as some military sources had wanted to make it appear, a decision in regard to the offshore islands in all likelihood cannot be indefinitely postponed."

The Washington Post adopted the view that the President had "doused some of the firebrand talk about war over the Matus and Quemoy."

It was reassuring to have his statement that talk about the prospect of war in Asia did not serve the cause of peace and that he had no information indicating an imminent Communist attack.

## STRAIN

"But the future of the past few days is indicative of strain to which he is being subjected," the Washington Post stated. "This strain is likely to increase as long as policy is allowed to drift and the danger is that drift may eventually lead the country with no alternative to war."—Reuter.

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# Beneath The Halo Of The Great Contemporary

By JAMES WICKENDEN

HEROIC as Churchill is portrayed, how much greater must be the spirit behind his deeds! The world sees parts of him but can only guess at the secret life of so great a man.

We know his oratory, his hats, cigars and bricklaying; his smiles, emotion and statesmanship. The rock-like figure and eager gesture are accepted as permanency.

But they hide the past, and now the Old Man is reported ready to retire. We are warned of it in time to glimpse beneath the halo while he is at the summit.

He, too, may cast back his mind. He may recall the spacious days when war meant horseflesh, jingling harness and a man's game instead of a scientific nightmare.

After his dramatic entry into the world—he was born a redhead, prematurely, in the cloakroom of Blenheim Palace on Saint Andrew's Day—he formed his philosophy while a slim, adventure-seeking cavalry officer.

### In Action

WHEREVER there was action Winston enjoyed and pleaded his way. He was at it in Cuba, ambushed on the North-West Frontier of India, and rode with the famous 300 at Omdurman in war's last great cavalry charge.

Between actions he lived in his own bungalow with servants and a barber to shave him in bed. He read from Gibbon to Plato and pondered. He regretted the lack of university education and vowed he would believe what he liked. He could, in fact, not escape the traditions he had inherited.

He had already written one novel and many dispatches when he decided to make money, leave the army and follow his father into politics. Within a

year he had been captured by the Boers, escaped to Portuguese East Africa, been in all the major engagements and returned to England a national hero.

The Boers described him dispassionately:

"Englishman 25, about five feet eight inches tall, indifferent build, walks with a forward stoop, pale appearance, red-brown hair, small hardly noticeable moustache, talks through his nose, and cannot pronounce the letter 's' properly."

He achieved all his aims in two years. Out of writing and lectures he made £14,500. He entered Parliament and became a rebel like his father, sniping at his own leaders and finally leaving them for the Liberal Party.

### Clear-headed

IN all his zesty pursuits he has shown the same, almost occasional, single-mindedness. Yet he is very clear-headed. He has apparently never, except in his first bout of reading, been troubled by philosophical doubts.

What is the secret of this amazing self-confidence? It may perhaps be the secure base of Winston Churchill's life from which he has operated. First, there was a glorious family tradition. Secondly, a peaceful home, assiduously cultivated by his wife—the only woman who ever attracted him. His background has been strengthened by his simple plan of attack on life. At each stage there has been one aim alone.

He dipped his pen in his father's inkwell, hung his picture on the wall and wrote the monumental life of Lord Randolph Churchill. He joined with Lloyd George and bounded to fame. He gave freedom to the Transvaal and the Orange Free State, helped bring in Old Age Pensions, became First Sea Lord.

Before the first war blackened Europe he built a new navy—oil-fired ships, bigger, faster ships—and put Jellicoe in command of the Grand Fleet.

### Stormy Career

THE Fleet was steaming to battle stations on his sole order as war broke out. He planned the Dardanelles attack—the great failure because of the hesitancy of those around him. He persisted in the production of tanks.

Already he had lived a career before contemporaries like Stalin were even heard of.

## THIS TELESCOPE HEARS THINGS

By Vaughan Jones

BEFORE the year is ended, the hidden depths of the universe will be brought a little nearer when the world's largest radio telescope comes into action at Jodrell Bank, in Cheshire.

Costing £500,000, it will "see" ten times the distance reached by the giant optical telescope at Palomar, in the United States.

It will explore between five hundred and a thousand times the volume of space, and record radio waves given off by the stars.

Sited in rolling farmlands, its giant mechanism is being rushed to completion to give Britain a big lead in this branch of astrophysical research.

The two 185 ft. high towers carrying the 250 ft. wide reflecting "saucer" are almost finished.

This bowl-shaped telescope will be rotated by

electric motors. An electronic brain will keep it aimed at its "target."

The whole structure will revolve on a concrete runway the size of a city square.

Advantage of the radio telescope is that it can hear the stars through fog or even dust clouds in outer space.

Their sounds can be recorded on discs.

Preliminary recording of their noises, which register as whistles, hisses and splutters, have already been made with smaller radio telescopes picking up the ultra short waves from the heavens.

At a recent Royal Society meeting, Professor A.C.B. Lovell, head of the Radio Astronomy Centre at Jodrell Bank, played such a recording of giant clashes among the constellations countless millions of miles away which took place 100 million years ago. The murmuring whistles travelling at the speed of light are only now reaching earth.

Winston Churchill is certainly the most prolific speaker in Britain's history—not a great political theorist, but a man of immense breadth of vision. Above all, his sense of life's comedy as well as its tragedy makes him the most natural of today's leaders.

His feet are on the ground with the rest of humanity, but he is out in front of the column in a tempestuous age.

### Prolific

AFTER the war he warned again at Fulton of the "Iron Curtain" which was descending. He said: "Last time I saw it all coming and cried aloud, but no one paid any attention."

Since then he has shown a new side to the world: the steady hand and the careful working for stability and peace. Now he is about ready to hand over to his Foreign Secretary, Sir Anthony Eden, the reins of power.

His foresight has only been matched by his industry—one-and-a-half million words in his war history with secretaries working in shifts through the night, the launching of the European Movement, the guidance of the Tories to their first electoral victory in 21 years. Even his bricklaying and painting have been prodigious: he lays a brick a minute and has built two large bungalows himself.

AT LAST—WELL, ALMOST—



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## GERMANY'S 1914 NAVY IS STILL BEING HUNTED—FOR SCRAP

By DUDLEY HAWKINS

Nairobi. Rufiji delta as well as its inhabitants. Helped by the German ships sunk or scuttled off Tanganyika's coast 40 years ago are helping to defend Europe against further aggression—but only after they have been through the blast furnace of the unspectacular German sailors. For weeks he plotted tide rise and fall and calculated the cruiser's armament.

Europe's world-wide scrap hunt has reached the blue waters around Dar-es-Salaam, palm-lined port the British Navy shelled in the 1914-18 war, where old German hulks—monuments to Kaiser Wilhelm's folly—are being eaten away by acetylene torches.

Few World War One veterans remain to see the last traces of their African campaign fade away into ignominious scrap. The most famous of these sea-monuments is the rusted side and hull and side of the German cruiser Koenigsberg, lying in the great Rufiji River near the swampy shore.

In September 1914 the Koenigsberg steamed fast over the horizon and, in a fierce fusillade of shots, sank HMS Pegasus off Zanzibar.

### SPOTTED

The cruiser steamed off and miraculously disappeared. For months British patrol boats sought her—and finally an armed merchantman with a hydroplane, spotted her upriver. But the Royal Navy had a problem. None of its big ships could enter the delta because of their deep draught.

Then one morning a policeman stopped a man in a Capetown street and whisked him to the Simons-town naval base. He was Major Pretorius, the famous big-game hunter who disappeared for ten years at a time into Africa's darkness to shoot elephant and lion, and who was then detected because the Allies in Africa could not find a war job for him.

Pretorius, a small, malaria-withered man who could speak fluently practically every African language between the Transvaal and the Sudan, knew the

latter on one side and stripped by curious Africans. The Koenigsberg's big sisters, Tabora and Feldmarschall, also ended their service for the Germans. The Tabora was being towed by a tug when HMS Hyacinth smashed her open on the water line with a few well-placed shells. The Feldmarschall was captured by the Allies and later served the British.

### SCUTTLED

Tunga, the picturesque little port north of Dar-es-Salaam, also had a wreck—the President, which was chased by HMS Chatham and scuttled by her frightened crew in the Lindi River. After the war the President was raised and taken to Capetown but eventually ended under wreckers' hammers in Saldanha Bay. Dar-es-Salaam's latest wreck is the Norwegian Stenmetstad. She caught fire after leaving Dar, a witness told me, "and Koenig—a 400-foot, 5,000-ton merchantman owned by the Deutsche Ost-Afrika Line. The equipment was towed on to a reef to burn herself out. That was in 1951. All her crew were saved, but now even the Stenmetstad faces a future in a blast furnace."

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## ASIAN SPORTS REVIEW

## SOVIET TEAM SCORED 110 GOALS ON INDIAN TOUR, GAVE AWAY JUST FOUR

The Soviet soccer team concluded its 45-day tour of India at Calcutta on March 6 with a 3-0 victory in the final "Test" against All India and a record of 19 games played, 19 won, 110 goals for and a meagre four goals against.

Madhya Pradesh came the nearest of all Indian teams to putting up a fight and scored two of the four goals that went into the Soviet team's against tally through Mushtaq and Rashid. Williams of Madras and Bernard of Mysore were the only two other Indian players to get past the Soviet goalkeeper.

Most prolific goalscorer for the Russians was the baby of the team, 17-year-old E. Streltsov, who managed 16 goals for the tour. His name, quite aptly, means sharp-shooter in Russian.

Next on the list was the famed international centre-forward of the Spartak team, Simonyan, an Armenian, who scored 15.

Mr Moskharin, the non-playing captain of the touring team, who has already had much to say about Indian football, had even more to say at the conclusion of the tour at Calcutta.

The worst faults of the Indian players, he said, were bad shooting and failure near goal. The Indian soccer season, he said, was too short and warmer months went into it whereas there were cooler months that could be utilised.

Indian players had to get used to the 90-minute game if they were to get anywhere in

international football, he emphasised once again, and they also needed more foreign tours. (India intends sending a team to the Soviet Union in May and June).

Mr Moskharin had kind words to say about Indian refereeing. The standard of refereeing in India was high, he said. As touring Russian teams generally grudge such kind words for foreign refereeing, this was high praise indeed.

The Soviet non-playing captain also made the interesting revelation that the Soviet Union was taking up field hockey in earnest and that the first Soviet National Field Hockey Championship tournament would be held this year.

## WARM-HEARTED

Vinoo Manikad, captain of the Indian cricket team that recently toured Pakistan, told the Indian press that "No Indian team touring abroad had ever received such a spontaneous and warm-hearted reception as did the Indian cricket team which recently toured Pakistan."

Manikad said that Indian cricketers would need at least six months of practice on cricketing wickets the next time they embarked on a tour of Pakistan.

He said that the standard of cricket in Pakistani high schools was "something remarkable" and that Pakistani cricket had a benevolent Government behind it that employed many an outstanding cricketer in the civil service.

Madras is to meet Holkar in the final of the Ranji Trophy Cricket Tournament—India's national championship—in this game. Madras, playing at home, beat Bengal by 157 runs on the fourth day of the four-day match, 45 minutes, after lunch.

Scores were: Madras 347 (C.D. Gopinath 121, A.G. Kripal Singh 98, S. Shome 5 for 78) and 139 (A.G. Kripal Singh 5 for 35).

Bengal 174 (P. Roy 74, J. Ramakrishnan 5 for 64, B.C. Alva 4 for 59) and 153 (Mouroogesh 5 for 54).

Meanwhile, at Indore, Holkar beat Baroda in an unfinished game by virtue of a first innings lead of 80 runs.

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Madras, in addition to reaching the final of the Ranji Trophy, also reached the last four of the National Hockey Tournament for the Rangaswamy Cup when they defeated Delhi 3-0 in a replay. It is Madras' first ever entry into the semi-finals of this tournament.

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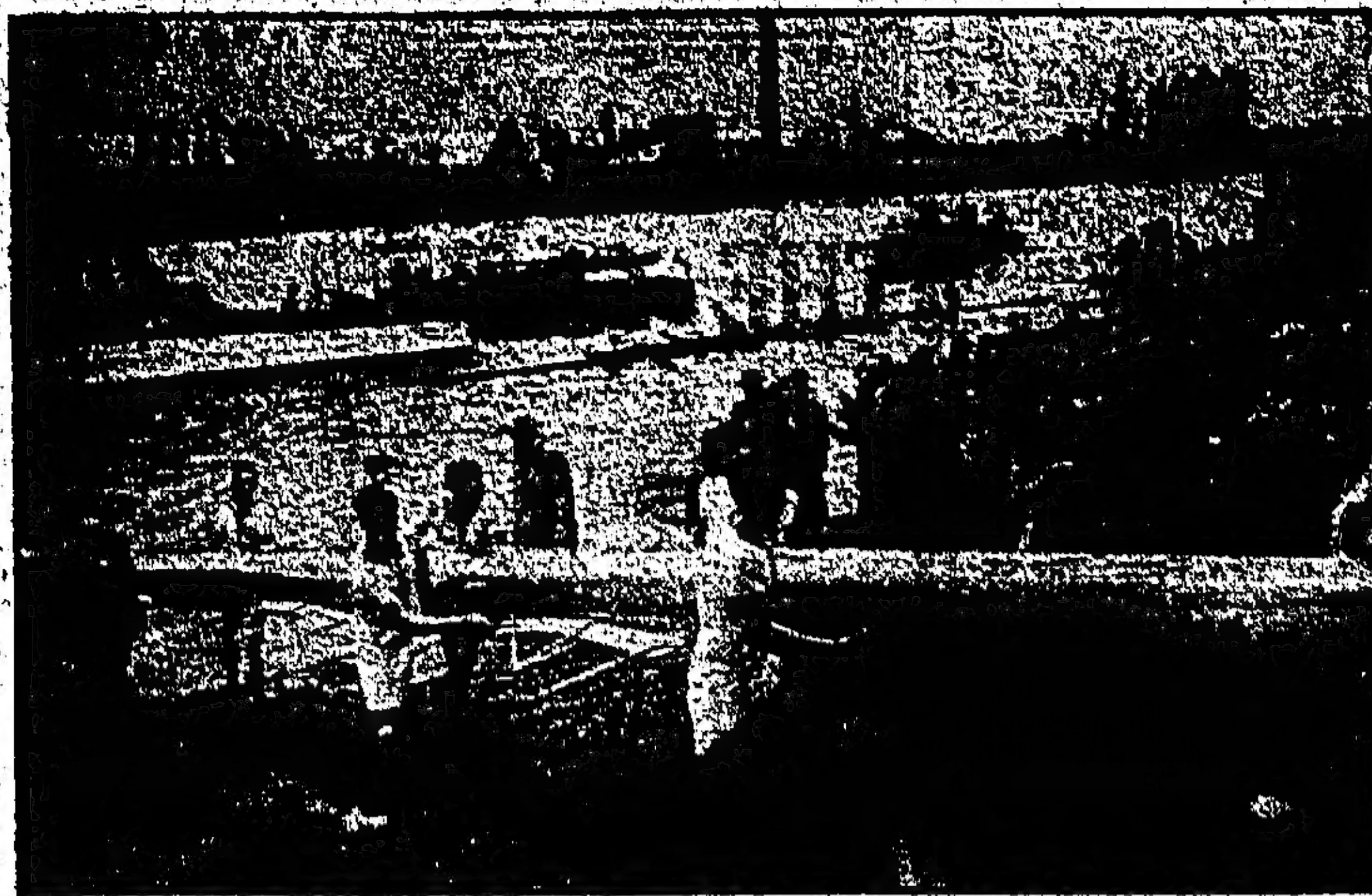
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## TRIUMPHAL PROGRESS



The triumphant Cambridge crew carry in their boat after their 16 lengths victory in the 101st Inter-University Boat Race on the River Thames from Putney to Mortlake last Saturday.

In the background the beaten Oxford crew wait to bring in their craft. Cambridge, after leading nearly all the way, finished the course in 19 minutes 10 seconds.—Reuterphoto.

## The Monopolists Of British Race

## This Old Firm Never Has A Loser

By RANDOLPH CHURCHILL

The corn-crake voice of Prince Monolulu crying "I gotta horse" has surely never been heard in quiet Cavendish Square.

The seedy intrigues and furtive negotiations which sometimes make racing less the sport of kings than the business of spivs seem far away from this dignified and sober neighbourhood.

Yet number 15, Cavendish Square, almost opposite the statue of Lord George Cavendish-Bentley, the great statesman of the Turf, is Weatherby's, the Whitehall of British racing.

This old-fashioned, rambling building is flanked on one side by the ancient banking firm of Messrs Coutts and on the other by the Convent of the Holy Child Jesus, with its remarkable Epstein sculpture of the Madonna and Child.

The stewards of the Jockey Club are the absolute rulers of racing. Each year one of the three regiments is replaced by another, nominated by the three from the Jockey Club, which in its turn is self-elected. There is no appeal from their rulings. But, as in politics, while Ministers come and go administrators go on for ever.

Weatherby's are the administrators of racing. They provide continuity not only between each steward of the Jockey Club and his successor but between generations of stewards. They are even more completely hereditary and self-perpetuating than the stewards they serve; and the stewards in their own sphere are the most powerful triumvirate in the world.

It was in 1771 that the first Weatherby began the family arrangement with the Jockey Club, which has been sustained so harmoniously and effectively. This relationship has been well compared to that of an old nanny to her grown-up pupils. Weatherby's have no authority over the Jockey Club—in fact they are the club's servants and they describe themselves simply as "Keepers of the Match Book, and secretaries and stakeholders to the Jockey Club and the National Hunt Committee." But in practice their influence is vast and pervasive throughout the whole racing world.

They are repositories of tradition and custom, having published the Racing Calendar since 1773 and the General Stud Book since 1791. Since that time a Weatherby has always been a secretary of the Jockey Club and the firm has invariably been the club's agents.

A MONOPOLY

Weatherby's are a virtual monopoly and there are many people who say that it is anomalous and indeed somewhat ridiculous, that sport, whose whole essence and purpose is competition, should be administered by a firm which has no competitor. For Weatherby's are big business.

It is unlikely that Weatherby's receive any very considerable fee for acting as the agents of the Jockey Club. The main revenues of this prosperous firm are derived from the private side of their business.

There are about 4,500 horses registered to run on the flat, and about another 3,000 registered under National Hunt Rules. These 7,000 or 8,000 horses are shared by about 3,000 owners.

These owners nearly all find that it is a great convenience to enter their horses for the various racing fixtures through Weatherby's, and to keep a permanent account with them.

NO COMMISSION

Since Weatherby's are the stakeholders at nearly all races meetings, this is a convenience for the whole racing community.

Weatherby's charge against their clients accounts the entry fees and credit them with their winnings. Contrary to widespread belief, the firm takes no commission on winnings.

The real prosperity of Weatherby's derives from the fact that each of their clients always has a credit balance with them—each averages a minimum of £200 or £300. Thus Weatherby's always have on hand a large sum of their

clients' money on which they pay no interest.

Weatherby's are understandably reticent about their business activities and the affairs of both their employers, the Jockey Club, and of their clients, the racehorse owners. But some people put this sum as high as £250,000.

Weatherby's have thus in a sense become an important small bank. They keep their money next door with Messrs Coutts, and it is reasonable to assume that they invest their clients' money to bring them in three or four per cent.

Since they pay no interest to a client who has left his winnings on deposit, they may easily receive through this process an annual income of £10,000 or £15,000. Some would put the figure much higher.

In this respect Weatherby's have something in common with Messrs Tattersall's, who have also obtained a near monopoly in another important department of the horse-racing industry—the management and conduct of auctions.

For their services at these auctions Tattersall's receive a rake-off of 5 per cent. At last November's Newmarket sales nearly £500,000 was sold out, of which Tattersall's percentage amounted to nearly £25,000.

Many breeders of horses are also purchasers, and they are inclined to leave at least a part of the money arising from sales in the hands of Messrs Tattersall's. Thus Tattersall's, like Weatherby's, have also become bankers and must hold hundreds of thousands of pounds of their clients' money.

INTEGRITY

All this complicated process by which the British Turf is organised and ruled seems highly anomalous. But Britain has always thrived on anomalies.

That it all works so well stems from two facts—the high degree of probity of all concerned and the long process of trial and error by which the system has developed.

The British have never had a written constitution for their politics and though the written rules of racing are very comprehensive, the smooth working of the system depends in the main upon the good sense and integrity of those concerned operating with all the majesty of an honourable tradition behind them.

—(London Express Service)

## KINGSTON TEST

## Australia's Fast Bowlers Demolish West Indies

Kingston, Jamaica, Mar. 31.

Australia's fast bowlers demolished the West Indies in their second innings today, leaving their batsmen with the formality of scoring twenty for victory in the First Test here.

This they did for the loss of one wicket, giving the tourists a win by nine wickets with a day and a half to spare. There are four more Tests to play.

West Indies, 188 for three overnight, were all out for 275 in their second innings, having scored 239 in their first reply to Australia's total of 515 for nine declared.

Lindwall and Miller, with the new ball, wrecked the West Indies middle batting in a devastating spell before lunch. Walcott, Smith and Bains went for the addition of four runs.

Lindwall finished with two for 63 and Miller three for 62. Smith, 21-year-old Jamaican all-rounder, 62 overnight, reached 104 to join the select band who have scored a Century in their first test. His fighting innings occupied three hours 38 minutes and he hit 14 fours.

THE SCOREBOARD

West Indies, 1st Innings, 239 (Walcott 104, Smith 44, Lindwall 4 for 61).

2nd Innings  
C. Smith, c. Harvey, b. Miller 104  
C. Walcott, c. Archer, b. Lindwall 39  
D. Atkinson, c. Bennett, b. Miller 30  
A. Bains, b. Miller 21  
F. Worrell, b. Archer 9  
F. King, b. Lindwall 9  
S. Ramadhin, c. Lindwall, b. Archer 3  
A. Valentine, not out 2  
Extras 6

Total 275

Bowling  
O M R W  
Lindwall 18 1 3 63 2  
Miller 16 2 54 1  
Johnston 16 2 54 1

PHILIPPINES  
DAVIS CUP  
TEAM HERE

A two-day tennis exhibition will be staged by the victorious Philippine Davis Cup contingent which beat Burma 5-0 in the Eastern Zone of the Davis Cup and local opponents on Monday and Tuesday at the Hongkong Cricket Club.

The four-man Philippine squad, led by C. Carmona (Captain), F. Amporn, R. Deyro and J. Jose, arrived at Kai Tak on their way back to the Philippines. They were met by Mr. Ho Ka-lan, Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association.

Three singles matches will be played on Monday commencing at 4.15 p.m. They are: J. Jose v Ng Man-chung; R. Deyro v K. C. Dao; and F. Amporn v Ip Koon-hung.

The programme for Tuesday also starting at 4.15 p.m. is as follows: J. Jose v Ho Cheng-ping; C. Carmona and J. Jose v Tsui Wai-pul and V. T. Wang; F. Amporn and R. Deyro v Ip Koon-hung and Edwin Tsai.

Admission charges to the stand are \$5 and \$1.50. The P. I. Davis Cuppers will leave for the Philippines on Wednesday.

Bryan Thompson  
In Critical  
Condition

Trenton, New Jersey, Mar. 31. An emergency brain operation was performed on Middletown boxer Bryan Thompson today after he slipped into a coma and his condition turned "very critical."

The 23-year-old Philadelphia negro, who was injured in his first professional fight on Tuesday night, was operated on by a Morristown, Pennsylvania, Neurologist, Dr. Walter Scheurman at St. Francis Hospital.

Scheurman said he found a "large haematoma" on the right side of the brain. He said he corrected the condition in a half-hour operation but did not disclose Thompson's general post-operation condition.

Thompson immediately was prepared for another operation on his throat to ease his breathing. "He had been in a semi-coma since Tuesday night when he was knocked in the second round of a bout with Jerry Lauder, of New Haven.—United Press.

HKFC TEAM

The following will represent the Hongkong Football Club in a Second World League soccer match against Westport at the Club ground tomorrow night at 7.30 p.m.: Beattie, Francis, Laidlaw, Lamont, Forrester, O'Neill, Dyer, O'Leary, Davies, Barclay, Wake, Reserve: Campbell.

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## FA RESULTS

London, Mar. 31.

Association Football results:

League Division II

Swansea T. 1 Bristol R. 1

League Division III Southern

Colchester U. 0 Torquay U. 2

Walsall 2 Aldershot 2

—Reuter.

## NOTICE

THE HONG KONG

JOCKEY CLUB

Special Cash Sweep on the

Hong Kong Derby

Saturday, 9th April, 1955.

Over 500,000 tickets sold

to date.

The Sale of Cash Sweep

Tickets on the above will

close on Friday, 8th April, as

follows:—

382 Nathan Road, Kowloon,

at 4.00 p.m.

5 D'Aguiar Street

at 5.00 p.m.

Queen's Building, Ground

Floor, Chater Road,

at 6.00 p.m.

The Draw will be held in

the Public Betting Hall at the

Race Course, at 10.00 a.m. on

Saturday, 9th April, 1955.

By Order of the Stewards,

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TONIC

I understand that a postponement of this game was authorised by the Hongkong Football Association at least one week ago. Surely with the staff at its disposal, it should not be beyond the capabilities of the HKFA to ensure that the public is made aware of any changes in the football calendar.

ANNOUNCED.

Wasted Trip

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**NOTICE**  
Messrs. Peat, Marwick,  
Mitchell & Co. have pleasure  
in announcing that Denis  
Gordon Sheriff and William  
Andrew Pirie Thoms have been  
admitted into partnership in  
the Hong Kong Firm as from  
1st April, 1955.

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES**  
"ATREUS"  
Damaged cargo ex this vessel will  
be surveyed by Messrs. Peat, Marwick,  
Mitchell & Co. at 10.15 a.m. on April 4, 1955,  
and consignees are requested to  
have their representatives present  
during the survey.  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hong Kong, April 1, 1955.

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES**  
"MYRMIDON"  
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be surveyed by Messrs. Peat, Marwick,  
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Hong Kong, April 1, 1955.

**To ADVERTISERS**  
SUNDAY POST-HERALD  
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MORNING POST and the  
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Special Announcements  
and Classified Advertis-  
ments as usual.

**NOTICE**  
Notice to Shareholders  
**THE HONGKONG AND**  
**YAU MATI FERRY**  
**COMPANY LIMITED.**  
Notice is hereby given that  
the Twenty-Seventh Ordinary  
Annual Meeting of the Com-  
pany will be held at the  
Company's Office, Jordan  
Road Ferry Pier, Kowloon, on  
Saturday the 2nd April, 1955,  
at 12.00 noon for the purpose  
of receiving the Report of the  
Directors and Statement of  
Accounts for the year ended  
31st December, 1954, to  
declare Dividends, to elect  
Directors and to appoint  
Auditors.

Notice is also given that  
the Share Register of the  
Company will be closed from  
the 21st March, to the 2nd  
April, 1955, both days in-  
clusive.  
By Order of the Board,  
LAU TAK PO,  
Managing Director.  
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1955.

**NOTICE**  
**THE HONGKONG AND**  
**YAU MATI FERRY**  
**COMPANY LIMITED.**  
Notice to Shareholders  
Extraordinary General  
Meeting

**NOTICE IS HEREBY**  
GIVEN that an Extraordinary  
General Meeting of The Hong-  
kong & Yau-mati Ferry Com-  
pany, Limited, will be held at  
the Company's Office, Jordan  
Road Ferry Pier, Kowloon  
on Saturday the 2nd Day of  
April, 1955, at 12.30 p.m. (or  
as soon thereafter as the  
Ordinary Annual Meeting to  
be held at Noon on that date  
shall have concluded) for the  
purpose of considering, and if  
thought fit, passing, the  
following Resolution:—

"That it is desirable to  
capitalise the sum of  
\$1,680,000.00 being part  
of the undivided profits  
of the Company standing  
at the credit of the  
Company's Reserve Fund  
and accordingly that a  
special Capital Bonus of  
\$1,680,000.00 be de-  
clared and that such  
bonus be applied on be-  
half of the persons who  
on the 2nd day of April,  
1955, were the holders of  
the 336,000 issued shares  
of the Company in pay-  
ment in full for 168,000  
unissued ordinary shares  
credited as fully paid be  
accordingly allotted to  
such persons in the pro-  
portion of one such  
ordinary share for every  
two of the said 336,000  
issued shares then held  
by such persons respec-  
tively, and that the  
shares so allotted shall  
be treated for all pur-  
poses as an increase of  
the nominal amount of  
the Capital of the Com-  
pany held by each such  
shareholder and not as  
income, and that such  
shares shall rank for  
dividend from the 1st  
January, 1955, and that  
no fractional certificates  
shall be issued but that  
shares representing frac-  
tions shall be allotted to  
a trustee to be nominated  
by the Directors upon  
trust for sale on such  
conditions as they con-  
sider expedient, and the  
net proceeds of sale shall  
be distributed propor-  
tionately amongst those  
members who would  
otherwise be entitled to  
such fractions and in  
satisfaction thereof."

By Order of the Board,  
LAU TAK PO,  
Managing Director.  
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1955.

## NOTICE

IN RESPECT TO THE MEMORY OF THE LATE  
**MR. WONG KWAI**  
THE OFFICES OF THE  
**STANDARD-VACUUM OIL COMPANY**  
WILL BE CLOSED ON  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 1955.**

## Donkey Hunt

Perth, Mar. 31.  
A professional hunter  
destroyed 1,200 donkeys in  
five months on a property  
in the Wyndham district in  
the far north of Western  
Australia.  
His mobs of wild don-  
keys, descended from  
teams used by cattle con-  
tractors in pre-motor trans-  
port days, are a serious  
pest in pastoral areas of  
the State.—China Mail.

## Red Writers Leave For New Delhi

Moscow, Mar. 31.  
The Soviet news agency,  
Tass, announced today that a  
15-member delegation, headed  
by the writer Nikolai Tikhonov,  
will attend the 23-nation con-  
ference of Asian countries to  
be held in New Delhi early in  
April.  
The conference has been  
called to "close world tension."  
A 40-strong delegation from  
Communist China, headed by  
former Vice-Premier Kuo Mo-  
jo, arrived in Hongkong yester-  
day on its way to Delhi.  
The Soviet delegates will in-  
clude the writers Alexander  
Kornelchuk, Ilya Ehrenburg and  
Wanda Wasilewska, Mikhail  
Nesimov, Chairman of the All-  
Union Chamber of Commerce,  
together with leading figures in  
literature, the arts, science and  
the trade unions from the Soviet  
Central Asian republics.  
It also includes two leading  
representatives from the Moslem  
Church in Soviet Central Asia.  
Tass said that a large group  
of Soviet delegates left Moscow  
by air for New Delhi today.—  
Reuter.

## PROMOTED TO FIELD MARSHAL

London, Mar. 31.  
The Queen yesterday pro-  
moted her uncle, the Duke of  
Gloucester, to be a Field Mar-  
shal at Buckingham Palace  
when she presented him with a  
baton.  
The Duke of Gloucester has  
been a General since 1944.—  
Reuter.

## TINY DOLLAR EARNERS IN A TOP HAT



## Mail Notices

The latest times of posting  
shown below are those for un-  
registered correspondence posted  
at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest  
posting times elsewhere which,  
in general, are earlier than the  
G.P.O. times can be ascertained  
by enquiry at the local office.  
The latest posting times for  
registered articles are generally  
one hour earlier than the times  
shown below. Particulars regard-  
ing parcel mails can be ascer-  
tained by enquiry at any post office.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 1**  
By Air  
Japan, U.S.A., Canada, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 6 p.m.  
By Surface  
Malaya, Indonesia, 5 p.m.  
Macao, 6 a.m.  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 2**  
By Air  
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New  
Zealand, Ceylon, 8 a.m.  
Thailand, Burma, India, Pakistan,  
Middle East, Africa, Great Britain &  
Europe, 10 a.m.  
By Surface  
Japan, U.S.A., 8 p.m.  
Formosa, Okinawa, Korea, 6 p.m.  
Philippines, N. Borneo, 6 p.m.  
Thailand, Malaya, Indonesia, Aus-  
tralia, New Zealand, India, Pakistan,  
Ryukyus, Italy, Great Britain, 8 p.m.

At the Ringland Kennels,  
Kent Mrs. N. E. Marsh-Starr,  
breeds Papillons, the tiny  
"Butterfly Dogs" which are  
enjoying ever-increasing  
popularity. Many of these  
tiny animals are sold to  
Canada and the United States,  
where they are very popular.  
One of Mrs. Marsh-Starr's open  
championship winners "Polly  
Flinders" gave birth to two  
puppies five weeks ago, which  
are possible champions of the  
future. Picture shows: Proud  
mother "Polly Flinders" with  
her five-week-old puppies  
which nicely into a top hat.  
These tiny pups are not  
quite 6" long and because  
they are so tiny, it is quite  
rare to see pictures of  
papillons so young. — Ex-  
press Photo.

## Brian Statham's Mother Dies

Manchester, Mar. 31.  
Mrs Florence Statham, mother  
of Lancashire and England fast  
bowler Brian Statham, died at  
her home here last Wednesday  
aged 65.—China Mail Special.

## JEWISH

## COMPENSATION SPEED UP Criticism Of West German Govt.

Bonn, Mar. 31.

The West German Government has  
promised to speed up cash payments to  
Jews, anti-Nazis and other victims of  
Hitler's Third Reich in compensation for  
their losses and other suffering.

Criticisms have flooded in recently  
from Germany and abroad that the money,  
in spite of the seemingly good intentions  
of Government and Parliament, is not  
arriving. One of the main spokesmen of  
the discontent is Dr Karl Marx, editor of  
Allgemeine Wochenzeitung der Juden, the  
Jewish weekly paper at Duesseldorf.

Dr Adolf Arndt, a Jewish  
Social Democrat Member of  
Parliament, recently called for  
the appointment of a restitution  
commissioner to accelerate the  
tumbling machinery of budget  
estimates, Government decrees,  
finance offices, and claims  
courts.

**SUPERVISE RESTITUTION**  
Dr Marx went one further  
and called for a Cabinet Minis-  
ter to supervise restitution.  
Many victims of Nazism fail to  
understand why, ten years after  
the end of the war, they are  
still waiting for compensation  
for looted businesses, stolen  
family jewellery, damage to  
their health, or loss of pro-  
fessional advancement. Many  
of these persons, particularly  
Jews, are now living in the  
United States or Israel. Others  
are leaving politicians or  
members of the group who  
planned in July 1944, to  
assassinate Hitler and put an  
end to the Nazi regime.

The Government's answer  
is that Dr Konrad Adenauer,  
the West German Chan-  
cellor, will personally con-  
sider the appointment of a  
restitution commissioner,  
but such a commissioner  
could not do much good as  
the execution of the law is  
in the hands of the states  
and West Berlin—thanks to

the federal construction of  
the West German Republic.  
The management of the re-  
stitution is so decentralised that  
the Government was not able  
to produce an up-to-date statement  
of restitution payments accord-  
ing to categories. It has first  
to compile the information from  
the State Governments.

The situation is further com-  
plicated by the fact that so  
many restitution claimants now  
live abroad and their claims,  
when admitted, must then get  
the approval of the central  
bank for transfer into foreign  
currency.  
Restitution in West Germany  
takes three forms: physical  
restitution of confiscated or  
stolen property, where this can  
be identified; settlement of  
cash claims against the Reich  
for confiscated property which  
cannot be found or has ceased  
to exist; and compensation of  
individuals or their heirs or  
relatives for death, injury,  
arrest, damage to property, or  
loss of professional advance-  
ment.

**FOOT THE BILL**  
Treatment of these claims was  
in the hands of a claims court  
established by the occupying  
Powers shortly after World War  
II. Local authorities were forced  
to foot the bill. Now the Federal  
Government has taken steps to  
centralise and standardise the  
treatment of these claims.

The following steps made in the  
winding-up of each group is as  
follows:  
1. Restitution of movable  
and immovable property, bonds,  
bank accounts, pension claims  
and other rights and entitle-  
ments of 487,000 claims regis-  
tered at the beginning of this  
year, 396,000 have been settled.  
The rest will be settled "within  
the foreseeable future," the  
Federal Finance Ministry says.  
These claims are handled by  
ordinary law courts, but in each  
zone the occupying Power  
guarantees claimants the right  
of appeal to an Allied court.  
After the entry into force of the  
Paris treaties these Allied  
courts will be replaced by courts  
consisting of two Germans, two  
Allies, and a neutral chairman.  
2. Cash claims against the  
Reich: The Federal Republic has  
taken over responsibility in the  
Paris treaties for meeting re-  
stitution claims against the  
Reich by cash payment in place  
of property confiscated by the  
Reich Government and not now  
returnable.

The Government acknow-  
ledges the amount of the  
approved claims but limits  
its responsibility for actual  
redemption to 1,500 million  
marks (about \$125,000,000  
sterling). A bill has been  
drafted for the final estab-  
lishment and settlement of  
these claims and will be  
submitted to Parliament  
after a detailed discussion  
with the local authorities.  
The procedure is that when  
the claims are recognised the  
claimants are compensated in  
the form of bonds on the Reich,  
converted at the usual rate of  
one Deutsche mark for ten Reich-  
marks. It is understood that the  
bill will propose to redeem these  
bonds at the rate of 100,000,000  
Deutsche marks (about \$8,330,-  
000) a year.

3. Compensation for personal  
damage: The provisions of this,  
the most complicated and most  
criticised part of the restitution  
legislation, are contained in an  
Act—the Federal Compensation  
Law—passed in the autumn of  
1953.  
**PERSONAL COMPENSATION**  
This Act took over personal  
compensation from the states  
and local authorities, but its  
operation has been slow.  
According to official figures,  
158,000,000 marks (about \$13,-  
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—China Mail Special.

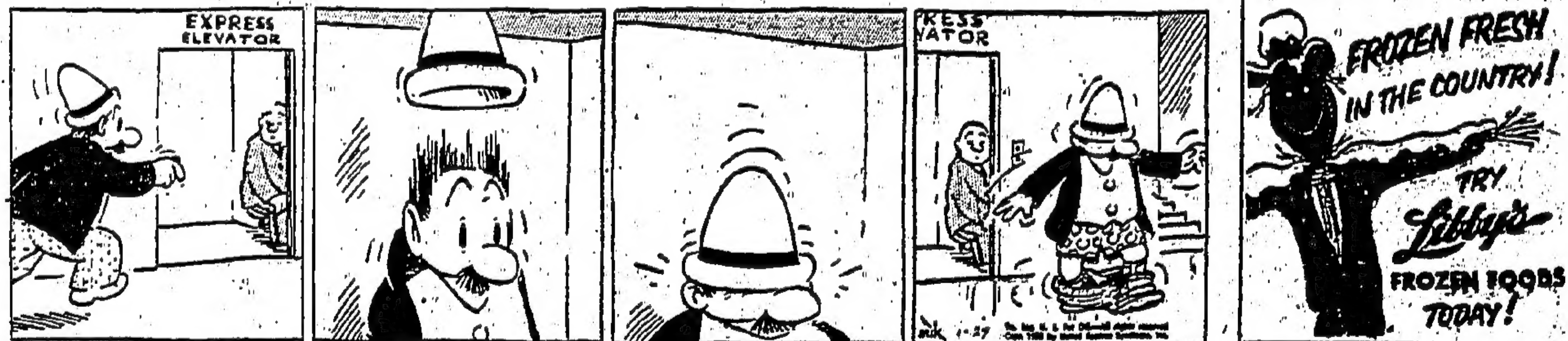
## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

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...this situation  
calls for a  
**San Miguel**



## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

## IMPROVED TREND OF EGYPT'S

## NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

New York, Mar. 31. Rail shares, steels and metals showed independent strength today when the market once again encountered resistance as it approached the bull market highs set early this month.

Rails alone of the major groups closed higher on average with industrial gains ranging to more than 2 points in Louisville and Nashville.

Industrials closed in a very narrow range, with many early wide gainers pared in late profit-taking. There were exceptions, however, notably in the steels and non-ferrous metals.

Varadum Corp. ran up more than 2 points, Sharon Steel almost 2 points, Bethlehem, US Steel, Republic, Wheeling, Volcanic Fuel and Iron, American Steel Foundries each added around a point.

Coppers paced the metals in continued response to price increases for the metal. Magna rose more than 2 points, Inco, Inco and Anaconda well over a point each and Phelps Dodge nearly a point.

## ISSUES TRADED

Of a total 1,190 issues traded today, there were 583 higher, 352 lower.

Trading was moderately active, totalling 2,680,000 shares compared with 3,410,000 yesterday.

Once again, Balwin-Lima-Hamilton—one of the atom-powered issues—topped the active list. It rose 1/4 point.

The issue touched with the magic of atomic power, among the strongest in recent sessions, were among the hardest hit by realising gains today, gains just about erased in most cases.

General Dynamics held only a 1/4 rise, Bath Iron Works 1/2 point.

A few aircraft did well. Trans World Airline responded to a good earnings report with a 1/4 point gain.

The New York Stock Exchange bond volume was \$2,120,000.

The American Stock Exchange volume was 750,000 shares.

Dow-Jones closing averages were as follows:

30 industrials 499.70  
500 stocks 150.25  
15 utilities 134.57  
85 stocks 134.57  
40 bonds 99.82  
Comm. future price index 154.48

## YESTERDAY'S PRICES

Alden Inc. Acy.	22 1/2
Allied Chemicals	91
Allis Chalmers	78 1/2
American Alkali	50 1/2
American Metal	50 1/2
American Smelting	46 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	17 1/2
American Tobacco	6 1/2
Anaconda Copper	55 1/2
Armco Steel	41 1/2
Armour	14 1/2
Balwin-Lima-Hamilton	42 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	12 1/2
Bendix Aviation Corp.	63 1/2
Bentley Corp.	12 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	13 1/2
Boeing Airplane	77 1/2
Canadian Pacific Railway	29 1/2
Case J. I. Co.	25 1/2
Chase National Bank	42 1/2
Chile Copper	42 1/2
Chrysler Motor	42 1/2
Commercial Credit	42 1/2
Commonwealth Elec.	38 1/2
Consolidated Steel	22 1/2
Continental Steel	22 1/2
Corn Products	25 1/2
Cuba American Sugar	18 1/2
Curtis Wright	25 1/2
Dupont de Nemours	75 1/2
Eastman Kodak	75 1/2
General Electric	61 1/2
General Foods	61 1/2
General Motors	61 1/2
Glaxo Sales & Bazar	61 1/2
Goodrich Tire & Rubber	61 1/2
Hamaker Mining Co.	30 1/2
International Business Machines	30 1/2
International Harvester	30 1/2
International Nickel	30 1/2
International Paper	30 1/2
International Tel. & Tel.	30 1/2
John-Manville Co.	30 1/2
Kennecott Copper	30 1/2
Lockheed Aircraft	30 1/2
Lowry Motor	30 1/2
Lone Star Cement Co.	30 1/2
Minnesota Mining	30 1/2
Montgomery Ward	30 1/2
National Cash Register	30 1/2
National Distillers	30 1/2
National Lead	30 1/2
New York Central	30 1/2
Old Elmer's	30 1/2
Pacific Western Oil	30 1/2
Pan American Airways	30 1/2
Pennsylvania Electric	30 1/2
Pittsburgh Plate Glass	30 1/2
Pittsburgh Steel	30 1/2
Radio Corporation	30 1/2
Reo Motors	30 1/2
Republic Steel	30 1/2
Shell Oil	30 1/2
Shinola Co.	30 1/2
Socoma Vacuum	30 1/2
Southern Railway (Com.)	30 1/2
Standard Brands	30 1/2
Standard Oil of California	30 1/2
Standard Oil of Indiana	30 1/2
Standard Oil of New Jersey	30 1/2
Stokely-Carmichael	30 1/2
Sudbury-Packard Corp.	30 1/2
Swift & Co.	30 1/2
Texas Co.	30 1/2
Union Carbide	30 1/2
Union Pacific Railway	30 1/2
United Gas. Imp.	30 1/2
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Warner Bros.	30 1/2
Westinghouse Electric	30 1/2
Woolworth	30 1/2

ECONOMY  
£280m Schemes  
For Developing  
Production

Cairo, Mar. 31.

A moderately reassuring picture of the present economic state of Egypt has been given to shareholders of the National Bank of Egypt by the chairman of the board of directors, Aly Shamsy.

His annual report says that during the past year the national economy has been "marked by stability combined with stimulating effort," the country had been inspired with a sense of definite progress.

There is, of course, a startling difference between the situation today and that prevailing in the last months of the old regime. Then, carelessness and corruption had brought Egypt to the verge of bankruptcy. Now, by careful handling and sensible controls, the balance of payments has been so improved that for 1954 Aly Shamsy was able to report a small surplus. For the next six or seven years, at least, the equilibrium can probably be maintained.

## A MORNING'S SHOPPING

There are still many pleasant surprises in the Cairo shops, but they come chiefly from those countries which have concluded bilateral trade agreements with Egypt—among them, Belgium, France, Italy, and Switzerland. Premiums imposed on imports from these countries have been largely dispelled. There has certainly been an upward trend in stocks, and revived confidence among foreign investors.

Egypt is efficiently administered nowadays, on the whole, and there is a new feeling of stability in the air. Independent economists, however, report a certain sluggishness in business. Money is still concentrated in too few hands, and those who hold it are all too often distrustful of the regime, resentful of its background and its activities, and thus reluctant to make their money work "on behalf of its aspirations."

As all would agree, however, the real threat to Egypt's future is neither political nor economic, strictly speaking. It is the inexorable menace of the birth-rate, which sometimes seems to make the best efforts of financiers and administrators smack disconcertingly of the hopeless.

## New York Sugar Market

New York, Mar. 31. World No. 4 sugar futures closed today 1 point higher to 2 points lower with sales of 172 contracts.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed 2 points higher to 2 points lower with sales of 179 contracts.

Havana trade reports said Russia purchased 100,000 tons of Cuban refined sugar, subject to an increase of 10 per cent in the overall world export quota this year by the International Sugar Council. The reported price paid 420 cents a pound, FAS, compared with a going market for Cuban refined of 430 to 435 cents a pound.

Dealers estimated a 10 per cent increase in the world export quota would amount to about 400,000 metric tons and would give Cuba sufficient additional quota to cover the sale. Earlier this year Russia bought 200,000 tons of Cuban sugar followed by some smaller purchases.

Both world and domestic markets today ruled irregular as traders awaited further raw material developments. Futures:

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# CHINA MAIL

Page 10 FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 1955.

**SHEAFFER'S**  
*Skrip*

## Last Night's Play At Kai Tak

Here is a nice, common-place little play which began on Broadway as 'George Washington Slept Here', arrived in England as a movie, and has now achieved full naturalisation as 'Queen Elizabeth Slept Here' of the 'Quiet Weekend' vintage.

It has pattern, Norah Fuller falls in love with a cottage in which Queen Elizabeth I is said to have slept; it is without all the usual office, presumably she has all the cash, so it is able to uproot her husband and settle him in misery in the country.

'She has spent too much money, and a Colonel, like most Colonels of that type, who owns the adjoining estate, objects to having neighbours within a thousand miles. He has the power to foreclose on a mortgage but is prevented from doing so by the generous intervention of Norah's rich uncle.'

There are the side plots provided by a maid who loves well but not wisely, and Michael Fuller's romantic sister who is infatuated by an actor conventionally playing a summer season nearby, and so on.

Acting honours go to P. R. Little as Michael Fuller, who displays all the irritation of being uprooted and settled in the country; Mary Coleman plays up to him well, but somehow we are not convinced she loves the house as much as all that. Raymond, a horrible child settled upon them, speaks off with his scenes.

I am sorry now to have to point out a grave fault in casting. Michael is the ultra sophisticated type with the clipped expressions of Noel Coward with a definite Pelham Crescent accent; how come his sister has that delightful dialect of the south country? Uncle Stanley, (A. Coleman) is amusingly played but for goodness sake get a little grey powder above the ears, a few silver streaks among the gold.

Mr. Kimber, obsessed with gravel, water, and manure, is very well played; Mrs. Douglas, a small earnest part in which we see the teeth and tweeds of the country Englishwoman is taken by Jean Smith.

The players were handicapped by the small stage which somewhat cramps them in the more elaborate parts and if P. R. Little had not played with so much enthusiasm the play would have fallen flat. One other thing: the intervals must be cut down to a minimum otherwise the audience will 'sleep there'.

I notice the Kai Tak players are giving this play during the Festival, and I am sure that they will have settled down by then and will come out with a good performance. They got some really hearty laughs last night and in more spacious surroundings will really 'go to town' or rather to the country.

JOHN LUFF.

## 2 1/2 Inches Recorded But The Rain Is Easing Off

Two and a half inches of rain fell in the Colony up to 11 a.m. today. The greatest hourly fall (3/4 inch) was recorded between 11 p.m. and midnight.

The Acting Director of the Royal Observatory, Mr. C. S. Ramagge, said this morning that the rain was easing off and conditions had started to improve.

## Planes Diverted

But wet weather played havoc with schedules of civil aircraft at Kai Tak Airport this morning, when the low ceiling and poor visibility forced all flights to be diverted.

A Pan-American Airliner circled over the Colony for over two hours before heading south to Manila. Only one aircraft, the FAA flight for Tokyo, managed to take off from the airport.

## 4-Power Talks Preparations

(Continued from Page 1)

Sir Anthony Eden said that there was no reason why this method should not be applied to other international differences.

'Given time, I am hopeful that it can be used to solve the problems which are at the centre of our relationship with Russia, the problem of the future of Germany and the problem of disarmament.'

NOTHING EXCLUDED  
Sir Anthony Eden said that he had told United Nations in his address that the way to solve problems 'was to grasp definite problems and to work for their practical solution. I have followed this doctrine but the method one uses is of secondary importance. As I have said before, nothing is excluded from our minds in the way of machinery to bring about the results which we all require, and banish the spectre of war.'

Sir Anthony Eden said that in the Paris agreements on German rearmament, now ratified by Britain, France, Germany and Italy, 'we and our allies have created the unity of Western Europe... this advance in its turn makes possible the next step in our catalogue of negotiation.'

He said that the stability and common purpose now reached in the West provided 'the essential basis on which we can seek an understanding with the East.'—Reuter.

## AMATEUR CINE CLUB CONTEST

Prizes worth \$27,000, all contributed by local dealers, will be awarded by the Hong Kong Amateur Cine Club to winners of their annual competition which closed last night.

Entries amount to about 10,000 feet of colour film, much of it with parallel recording of sound-on-tape.

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## BIG LUXURY LINER ARRIVES IN HONGKONG

On her Great World Dollar-earning Cruise of 1955, RMS Caronia, 34,000-ton luxury liner, docked at Kowloon Wharf early this morning after an easy passage from Singapore.

This handsome liner, built in 1948, is on her second world cruise carrying 2,000 passengers round the world. Ticket costs anything from \$3,000 to \$32,000, the price of the luxury suites—and they are the last word in luxury, too. They contain a bedroom, sitting room, bathroom, kitchenette with fridge and a small entrance hall.

The cruise is expected to last 108 days in all. The liner has already visited such ports as Capetown, Ball, Madras and Manila. This is her first visit to Hongkong but she is scheduled to come here next year. Her next port-of-call is Okinawa.

The ship is all one class on this cruise. She has two dining rooms, Balmoral and Sandringham, which are beautifully upholstered in green.

The lounge which contains a large dance floor and a grand piano has french windows all round. One of the many special 'extras' is the theatre which has seating for about 200. Here passengers can see film shows every night. Live acts have also been shown and at Bombay passengers saw the famous Indian War Dance, put on by local entertainers.

SWIMMING POOL  
Although the Caronia has only a small swimming pool, her decks are spacious. She is air-conditioned throughout with her own special dehumidifier. On entering the lounge the first thing that catches your eye is the lovely portrait of the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh, an original full-length by E. J. Halliday which was bought to commemorate the launching of the ship in 1948.

The Caronia was originally built for cruising, but as many of the tourist ports had not yet been re-opened, she was put on the Atlantic run from Southampton to New York until 1950 when she made her first trip to Africa.

Each passenger keeps a log of the journey. The greatest excitement so far was between Madras and Singapore when the Caronia came across five Chinese Malays marooned in a small sampan. They had been without food for six days and water for two.

The ship stopped to pick them up. They were found to be in a state of exhaustion and were sent to the ship's hospital.

Two Brothers Fined \$200  
Illegal Disposal Of Shotgun Charge

Two brothers were fined \$200 each by Mr. J. T. Morris at Kowloon this morning for the illegal disposal of a shotgun.

The older of the two, Lam Tung-chuen, of 30 Portland Street, second floor, who is the holder of an arms licence for the weapon, was summoned for disposing of the shotgun without obtaining previous permission from the Police—thereby violating one of the conditions of the licence.

Inspr. J. Currie, prosecuting, told the Court that Lam Tung-chuen, applied to the Commissioner of Police for the transfer of the gun to his younger brother, Lam Bo-chuen, but before it was granted he gave the weapon to his brother.

On March 8, Inspr. Currie went on the Police searched the ground floor of 101, Parkes Street—the home of the younger brother—and found the shotgun locked in a wardrobe.

The younger brother was summoned for possession of the shotgun without a licence.

Lam Tung-chuen told the Court that he wished to transfer the gun to his brother as he 'had no time for hunting.' In mitigation he said that an application for the transfer had already been made.

Lam Bo-chuen explained that he was 'ignorant of the procedure' and thought that he was supposed to be in possession of the gun when the Police investigated his qualifications for holding a licence.

Inspr. Currie said that he was not asking for the confiscation of the weapon, and said that the renewal of the licence would be considered when the time came.

## Man On Armed Robbery Charge

Lau Bun, 21, unemployed, of 230 Chatham Road, ground floor, appeared before Mr. T. Creighton at Kowloon this morning on charges of robbery with offensive weapons, possession of a dagger without a licence, and three charges of wounding with intent to cause grievous bodily harm.

It is alleged the defendant went to No. 2 Gascoigne Road, first floor, yesterday—while armed with a dagger—and robbed Lee Wan-hing and Lam Yuk-kai of \$116 in cash, two wrist-watches, one pair of socks and a key to the value of \$616.

He is also alleged to have unlawfully and maliciously wounded Lee Wan-hing, Lam Yuk-kai and Lam Yuk-tung with intent to maim them.

He was remanded for four days to Police custody.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



'They must have been over to visit his folks again—you can tell they're mad!'

## Four-Point Expansion Plan Announced For Tung Wah Hospital

A four-point programme of expansion and improvement was outlined this morning by Mr. K. C. Fung, Chairman of the Tung Wah group of hospitals at the inauguration ceremony of new directors.

The aim during the year now beginning would be to start construction of two additional wings to the Tung Wah Hospital; improve the Shaukwat No. 2 Free School; obtain expert advice of the best way of replacing the existing Kwong Wah Hospital in Kowloon; improve the administration of the hospitals.

Referring to the Tung Wah group of hospitals, Mr. Fung declared:

'We shall continue to establish a constructive accounting system as initiated by our predecessors. We shall seek higher efficiency among the working staff, a more consolidated organisation, and a better personnel system.'

Our workers should be trained to perform their duties efficiently and to adopt a proper attitude towards our patients and those who come to seek relief. The assessment of the Hospital assets now in progress may continue to augment the revenues of the Charity Society.

WORKERS' WELFARE  
The welfare of our workers should not be overlooked either. For charity should start at home and it is only when our Hospital workers begin to see their welfare being well taken care of that they will render their best services.

From all these, we can sum up our aim—that is, to devise an efficient administrative machine that will make possible the full utilisation of every material and monetary resource of the Hospitals for the sake of worthy charitable causes.

In concluding, we pledge to put forth our best efforts to serve the Hospitals and to evade no obligations, but our efforts will be feeble without the valuable advice and support of the general public and the government authorities.

It is the hope and wish of our Board that we shall continue to receive the same generous support and guidance as you have been giving throughout the history of this organisation.

## Heroin Was For His 'Stomach Disorder'

A young shoemaker who was arrested in possession of nine small packets of heroin powder told Mr. J. R. Durling at Central this morning he had been advised by a friend the powder was good for the treatment of diarrhoea, from which he was suffering.

'That sounds like complete nonsense,' declared the Magistrate, and sentenced the shoemaker, Mak Kwok, 24, to one month's imprisonment without the option of a fine.

Mak, who had pleaded guilty to the charge of possession of dangerous drugs without a permit, was arrested by two detectives while acting in a suspicious manner at the entrance of Western Market on Tuesday last.

He was searched, and the packets of heroin, containing altogether 6 grammes, were found on him.

Questioned by Mr. Durling, defendant said all the heroin was intended for the treatment of his ailment.

In passing sentence, His Worship said he was taking into account the fact that he had no previous conviction.

Inspector T. Y. Ip presented.

## JUDGMENT RESERVED IN APPEAL AGAINST FORFEITURE ORDER

An appeal against a Magistrate's order for the forfeiture of 39 bales and 1,560 packages of spun yarn was brought by Ko Ling-pok before Mr Justice J. Wicks in the Appeal Court this morning. Judgment was reserved.

In November last year, Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central fined Siou Siu-chow, an employee of Ko's \$2,000 for four months' hard labour when he found the man guilty of applying a false trade description, namely, 'Made in France,' to bales and packages of spun yarn of Japanese origin. The Magistrate also ordered forfeiture of the goods seized at 420 Queen's Road West, ground floor, on November 17.

Mr Brook A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr R. E. Moore, of Messrs Deacons, represented appellant, and Mr J. W. D. Hobley, Crown Counsel, appeared for the respondent, Revenue Insp. A. L. Tokley.

Mr Bernacchi said the appeal was brought by Ko as the party aggrieved. The Crown did not deny that Ko was the owner of the goods.

Counsel said that if the Magistrate had a discretion in the matter he had exercised it in favour of forfeiture of the goods. Counsel intimated he would concentrate his arguments on saying that the 'Made in France' Ordinance did not create any right to confiscate goods which were not the goods of the defendant before the Court. Confiscation in the present case, he submitted, was a penalty in personam and not a right to forfeiture in rem.

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## Government Appointments Gazetted

H.E. the Governor, under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has approved the appointment of Mr T. N. Leigh-Bennett to be Trade Officer, Mr. Leigh-Bennett arrived in the Colony on March 18, it was announced in the Government Gazette today.

Other appointments gazetted were: Mr. W. H. Shipway, Station Officer of the Fire Brigade, to be Acting Divisional Officer during the absence of Mr Seymour; Mr. R. S. Rosen, Chief Officer of Prisons Department, to be Acting Superintendent of Prisons; Mr. C. J. Noyes, to be Acting Chief Health Inspector, vice Mr. H. Knox, Senior Revenue Inspector, to be Acting Chief Preventive Officer, vice Mr. Collingridge; Mr. L. C. Millington, Senior Revenue Inspector, to be Acting Deputy Chief Preventive Officer, vice Mr. C. T. Rowland; Mr. C. J. Noyes, to be Acting Chief Health Inspector, vice Mr. H. Knox, Senior Revenue Inspector, to be Acting Chief Preventive Officer, vice Mr. Collingridge; Mr. L. C. Millington, Senior Revenue Inspector, to be Acting Deputy Chief Preventive Officer, vice Mr. C. T. Rowland.

It was also announced that Mr J. J. Robson, Engineer of the Public Works Department, has ceased to act as Chief Engineer on proceeding on leave.

H.E. the Governor has appointed Mr. J. W. Urban to be Secretary, vice Mr. Urban, Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, to be Acting Divisional Officer during the absence of Mr Seymour; Mr. R. S. Rosen, Chief Officer of Prisons Department, to be Acting Superintendent of Prisons; Mr. C. J. Noyes, to be Acting Chief Health Inspector, vice Mr. H. Knox, Senior Revenue Inspector, to be Acting Chief Preventive Officer, vice Mr. Collingridge; Mr. L. C. Millington, Senior Revenue Inspector, to be Acting Deputy Chief Preventive Officer, vice Mr. C. T. Rowland.

On the recommendation of the Director of Medical and Health Services, Mr. Cheung Man-sang has been appointed by the District Commissioner of the New Territories, to be a Food Officer for the purpose of the New Territories Rules, it was announced.

It was also announced that Mr V. F. Clarke, Esq., to be Assistant Director of Manpower as from March 28th.

## BOYS ARBOND

Four boys absconded from the new training camp at Tung Tau Wan at 6.30 p.m. this morning. The Commissioner of Prisons, Mr. C. J. Noyes, said the boys were: Raymond, 15, R. A. Tapscott, 16, and the others were rounded up later in the Chek Wan area.

## Delighfully Produced Ballet Programme

Last night at the Empire Theatre, a programme of ballet dancing was presented by Miss Larissa Tesar and her pupils, in aid of the Hongkong Sea Training School and Boys' Camp. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Grantham were present.

This original entertainment, entitled 'Scuola di Ballo', was delightfully produced by Miss Tesar, and beautifully dressed by Mrs. E. Tesar. The programme was interesting, constructed, in three parts.

The first part took the form of a Ballet Lesson, where the pupils of all sizes, went through their paces and showed what steps they had mastered, just as though they had been exercising in the studio.

All, from the tiniest, showed much skill in the 'tip-toe' 'pointe' step. There was some neat solo work by Misses Irene Mok, Kany and Ivy Wong, Eva Liang and Cissy Chen, and by John Loo. The music (recorded) was a series of pieces by Beethoven.

The second part was placed in a garden containing some shapely trees. Some of the 'ballets' danced a 'Bunny-hop', dressed in white rabbit costumes and brandishing extremely fine carrots. The 'Valse des Fleurs' (Rehabowsky), was one of the most ambitious numbers. Each dancer represented a flower and the dresses, of delicate colours,

were the most flower-like costumes imaginable. The final figure of the 'Valse', where the flowers form a huge circle and dance round in a ring, was a little crowded with so many on the stage, and it might be suggested that if this charming number is repeated, the flowers, and the two circles, one inside the other, revolving in opposite directions.

The solo 'Butterfly' by Miss Irene Mok was again remarkable for the beauty of the costume. The dance, to Chopin's 'Fantasy Impromptu', was imaginative and graceful.

The last part of the programme was entitled 'Rhythm and Folk Dances.' This opened with a 'Quartet' of trained school-girls in black skirts and white blouses. The same quartet, with one extra member, later danced a 'Beer Barrel Polka' dressed in green 'usherette' costumes. Both these numbers had a gay good humour, and for the first time the dancers allowed their expressions to relax, and smiled brightly, in contrast to the rather fixed and solemn air, traditional to classical ballet, which had prevailed so far. The Brahm's Hungarian Dance was a city affair too, and the 'babies' wore a great ovation with their Horn-pipe.

For the Horn-pipe and the Flute, recorded music gave way to the cheerful sounds of accordion, drums, and double bass. The finale was a 'Gavotte', a traditional, and very lively Russian dance, after which the whole company assembled for a final tableau.